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## WOMEN IN POLITICS



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Carolyn Gerdes, Springfield, Mo. city council member, and Judy Olson, Madison, Wis. city council member answer questions from attendees of yesterday's symposium of "Managing America's Cities."

## Christensen questions review

CHRISTOPHER CLARK  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A review of Photospiva '90, the current exhibit at the Spiva Art Center, by a former Drury college art professor may have been harsh, according to Val Christensen, Spiva director.

The review, which appeared in "Weekend" section of *The Springfield News Leader* on Nov. 9, is generally mixed but seemed to suggest that Photospiva '90 was displaying works that asked to be censored as a means of protest against national attempts to censor questionable artistic photographs.

John Simmons, former head of the art department at Drury, wrote the review.

In particular, Simmons made reference to "Mother and Daughter," a silver gelatin photo of a large woman being embraced by her young daughter. The woman is nude above her waist and has tattooed breasts.

"These questions are raised even in the Juror's Statement in the exhibit's catalog," Simmons wrote. "Jon Burris, Inc., selected the entries included in the exhibit and went on to comment on recent court cases which have attempted to rule on these and related legal, artistic and moral questions. His comments seem

to suggest that in his view this exhibit continues the dialogue.

"But does such content represent 'art'?" In this case, I suggest it does not."

That statement was questioned by Christensen, who believes Simmons' criticism of the exhibit was curious.

"I can't second-guess what his motivation was," he said. "It comes across as a damning sort of statement. It's an attempt to jump on the bandwagon in regard to the controversy that surrounds photography."

Photospiva '90 runs through Sunday, Nov. 25 in the Spiva Art Center.

## Officials say crime rate in decline on campus

Two students claim they were harrassed

STEPHEN MOORE  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Although rumors have circulated concerning an increase in crime at Missouri Southern, college officials maintain it has been as usual.

Doug Carnahan, director of student life, said crime rates are actually lower this fall than in previous semesters. He said he was not aware break-ins at the residence halls had many crimes are not reported in his office.

"Usually when we have a break-in we encourage residents to report even if nothing was stolen," Carnahan said. "If the resident wishes, we make arrangements to change locks on the doors."

On Oct. 23, two Southern students were allegedly harrassed in the residence hall area by three men claimed to be selling magazine subscriptions. Carnahan said this type of situation occurs every year and often involves other types of incidents.

Our students will be contacted by insurance salesmen; a lot of women are contacted to buy life insurance," he said. "Of course life insurance is the big one."

Carnahan said solicitation is not allowed at the residence halls and people are normally asked to verify the legitimacy of their requests.

We don't sort out who is and who isn't legitimate," he said. "We just let them off."

Rumors also have circulated concerning unauthorized copies of passes and theft by staff assistants at residence halls. According to Gipson, head resident at South Hall, these rumors are "bogus." She said, however, some theft is not unusual at this time of the year.

Carnahan said crime normally increases during the holidays, and students are encouraged to take precautions against property loss. He

said much of the theft is due to carelessness on the residents' part.

"I encourage people to have very little cash in their apartments," he said.

In addition, Carnahan said security officers need to place emphasis on patrolling the residence hall areas during the night.

"I know security is making an effort to cruise more around the dorm areas," he said. "That's where they need to be. That's where the people are."

Chastity Lile, freshman psychology major, said her on-campus apartment was recently broken into, but nothing was stolen. According to Lile, the lock fell out of the door of her apartment when she attempted to open it upon returning home late in the evening. She also noticed that the edge of the door had been split.

At the time, Lile said, her roommates were asleep and did not hear the break-in. She attempted to contact campus security but was initially unsuccessful.

Only after contacting the Joplin Police Department was she able to reach a security officer.

Lile said although she does not want to see the residence halls inundated with security patrol, she would like security officers to be more accessible.

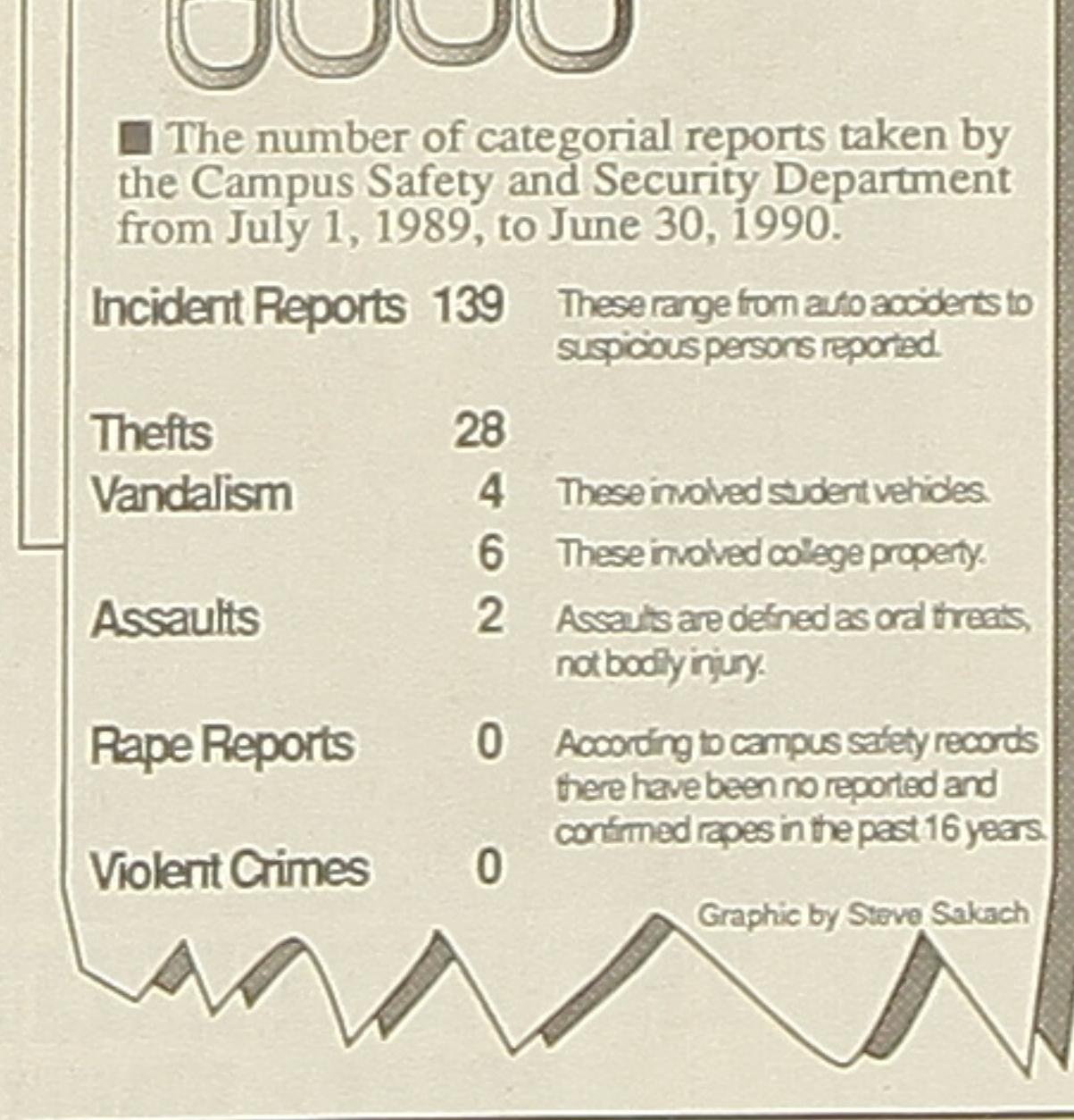
"I think they should have someone in the security office at all times," she said. "I was worried. All my roommates were asleep, and I couldn't get hold of security."

Bill Boyer, chief of security, said the crime rate on campus this semester is at a normal level. But steps are being taken to improve the overall effectiveness of the security force.

Among the improvements will be the addition of a security officer during the evening and night, the installation of a cellular phone to facilitate communications, and a requirement that security officers complete a 120-hour police academy course.

Boyer said 21 theft reports have been filed with the security office this semester.

## Campus Safety crime statistics



## Group hosts teleconference

In response to a current trend of increasing crime rates on college campuses, the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators is sponsoring a teleconference on campus security.

The conference will be broadcast at 1 p.m. today in Missouri Southern's Matthews Hall auditorium. Area colleges including Crowder College, Pittsburg State University, Ozark Christian College, and Cottrell College have been invited to attend.

Enhancing Campus Community will focus on security problems encountered by colleges across the country and access to crime reports.

According to Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, part of the conference will be devoted to discussion of a recently signed bill

mandating publication of security reports by College security departments.

Dolence said although crime rates at Southern may not be as high as at larger colleges, the conference will still be relevant.

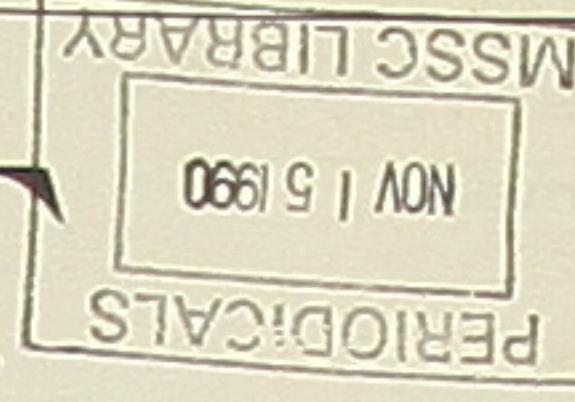
"I think that even though we're not a large metropolitan campus with thousands and thousands of students, we still have some of the things that occur on other campuses in greater numbers," Dolence said.

Bill Boyer, chief of security, said although some of the problems which may be discussed in the conference may not currently apply to Southern, he hopes to get a "deeper insight" into the problems facing campus security across the country.



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## Long faces new charge

Two close to the development criticize its handling

BY CHRISTOPHER CLARK  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Recent charges of fraud against race-track developer Mike Long probably will not have an effect on the proposed \$500 million event complex, according to the development's real estate agent.

Long was arrested Nov. 9 in Joplin and charged in the associate division of Jasper County Circuit Court. He was charged with passing a bad check for \$1,000 to Nick Meyers of rural Joplin on or about Aug. 24. Long or Meyers were not available for comment yesterday.

Carl Taylor, a Joplin real estate agent, claims to have daily contact with Long, and he told *The Chart* yesterday that the development is sitting "at status quo right now."

"We're waiting, trying to get everything together," Taylor said.

Taylor has often been named as sitting on the developer's board of

directors, but will not confirm nor deny such a title.

"My job is to secure land for the development," he said. "I've never said that (being a director). I only say what I know."

Clay County (Mo.) records show Long has been convicted several times for bad checks, theft, and fraud, dating back to 1978. He has served time in Missouri prisons.

Long is scheduled to appear today in Clay County for a hearing on nearly \$17,000 he owes for child support. Long said last month that he had not missed a payment for nearly two years and continued to pay on the accumulated debt.

Last week, Long's attorney, Barry Langford, who also is said to be on the development's board of directors, was arrested in two counties for passing bad checks.

In Jasper County, Langford was charged with writing two \$100 bad checks at two Joplin convenience

stores. He was charged in Newton County for writing a \$750 bad check to May's Drug Warehouse.

All three charges, filed in late October, allege the checks were written on a non-existent account at a Joplin bank.

Langford filed a request on Oct. 31 to surrender his license to practice law. The request was granted Nov. 2.

Newton County officials told *The Chart* yesterday that Langford failed to appear for his arraignment last week. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

Francois Belfor, president of Rhema Financial Enterprises, who claims to be one of Long's financial backers, refused comment yesterday on the developments. Last week, Belfor told *The Chart* that a press conference would materialize before last

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## Shortfall wounds College

A shortfall of state funds will cost state agencies nearly \$70 million, and Missouri Southern will have to cough up about \$128,000 of that amount.

In a press conference yesterday, Gov. John Ashcroft announced how the state would attempt to make up the shortfall. State agencies, including colleges and universities, will be forced to withhold 10 percent of their current appropriations.

Of that 10 percent, higher education institutions will be forced to withhold 5.5 percent.

In a fax sent to college and university presidents, Ashcroft blamed the withholdings on state's rising desegregation costs, and the recent federal budget agreement that will impose new Medicaid costs on the state.

To meet this new challenge, I have asked state agencies to reduce their budgets by up to an additional four percent," Ashcroft said. "This will raise the total withholding level for agencies to ten percent of their Fiscal Year 1991 appropriations. Because I give higher education greater

priority, withholdings for colleges and universities will be increased by one percent to a total of 5.5 percent."

Desegregation is expected to cost the state more than \$290 million in fiscal year 1991, compared to \$233 million last year.

While the withholdings are disappointing to College President Julio Leon, he believes the cuts could have been much worse.

"I think we should be able to handle it alright," Leon said. "Obviously, the governor had to do something. I think it's workable."

## Course wins approval in policies committee

BY STEPHEN MOORE  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Despite concerns raised by some members of the Academic Policies Committee, a new course in biomedical ethics is on its way to the Board of Regents for final approval.

The course was requested about two years ago by Dr. Jim Jackson, professor of biology, and more recently by Dr. Richard Miller, associate professor of sociology.

According to Dr. Barry Brown, assistant professor of philosophy, who designed and proposed the course, Miller had attempted to develop a minor in gerontology and as a part of that had requested the course in biomedical ethics.

The minor failed to gain approval, but the ethics course was approved by a 10-5 vote at the Oct. 22 meeting of the Academic Policies Committee. The Faculty Senate approved the course Nov. 5.

According to the course syllabus, the class will cover such issues as reproductive rights, abortion, animal experimentation, euthanasia, homosexuality, and patient rights.

Brown has taught similar courses at other institutions and also has done outside research on the subject. He said the course will help students learn to make moral decisions "in an informed manner rather than in ignorance of one side or the other."

The hard moral questions are hard because there are good arguments on both sides of the issue," Brown said.

While concerns were raised by members of the Academic Policies Committee as to the course content, Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs and chair of the committee, said part of the purpose of a college is to facilitate open discussion.

"I don't think we should ever put ourselves in the position of shying away from courses because they are controversial," he said.

The vice president said although no one at the meeting objected to the

course, some questioned the possibility of the course becoming slanted toward a certain ideology.

"I don't think anyone had reservations about teaching the course," he said. "It's not a question of if you're going to do it; it's a question of how it's going to be done, and it's a legitimate question."

The vice president thought the committee was "very satisfied with the results" of the meeting and said lengthy discussions are not an unusual part of many course proposals.

"I think the unusual thing is to have so many controversial issues concentrated in one course," he said.

According to Dr. Carolyn Yocom, assistant professor of communications, she and others spoke in favor of the course, citing a need for academic freedom in choosing and presenting the course matter.

She also said this type of course would become more important as the College develops its new mission.

"With the international studies and our new mission, we'll probably be dealing with a lot of issues we haven't thought about because of the difference in cultures," she said; "so it's going to be a more cosmopolitan kind of thinking."

She said although there was concern among some committee members as to the community reaction, the class covers issues "colleges and universities need to be talking about."

"I think anything that stimulates intellectual thought is going to bring up issues, and I think that's healthy," Yocom said.

Dr. Jim Gray, dean of the school of business administration, also said he was concerned that the course be taught in a balanced manner.

"I have no problem with these issues being addressed," he said, "as long as no particular stance is forced on the students."

Barry Brown said the course likely will not be offered soon because of a lack of faculty.

"There are lots of philosophy courses and only one philosophy teacher," he said, "so I have to pick and choose what I want to offer."

# Schedule cover proves curious

Artist gives his interpretation of art

BY ANGIE STEVENSON  
MANAGING EDITOR

You can't judge a book by its cover," the saying goes, but students might have some interpretations of their own when viewing the cover on the 1991 spring schedule of classes.

Jason Matthews, freshman economics major, and Nathan Tucker, freshman criminal justice major, examined the cover's abstract artwork, which contrasts with the more standard artwork of past semesters.

"Does anyone know what it is?" Matthews asked.

Recognizable figures include a head, which is not complete, connected by a flowing line to a hand, which appears in the foreground. After turning the pink cover upside down, then on its side, Tucker decided he knew what it was.

"I would say the hand is reaching out from the mind to get the best you

can from college," Tucker said. "It's different; it catches your attention."

The cover artist, John Morris, senior graphic arts major, said there is more than one correct interpretation.

"Basically the meaning is up to the viewer," Morris said. "My interpretation is only what I see; someone else might see something different."

Morris sees the background, which repeats the same pattern throughout the design, as a symbol of monotony. He said the profile of the head is not completely full to represent that students must fill that space as they move through college. The line flowing from the head, he said, shows confusion which is resolved in the hand.

"The hand shows resolution because it is a relaxed hand," Morris said. "There is no background or lines flowing through it, so there is no monotony or confusion."

Morris started working in the public information office this semester



under Michael Hailey, publications coordinator, through a scholarship from the art department. Hailey said Morris was given the freedom to create his own design.

"Every artist is different," Hailey said. "John is as unstiled as possible."

Some restrictions, including cost, use of a single color, and abstention from artwork of an objectional nature, are applied to the cover art. Hailey said the artwork is not intended to offend anyone.

"The artwork is to be interpreted by the viewer," he said. "Everyone might have a different opinion with this design."

In addition to this cover, Morris also has designed theatre posters and thank-you notes.

# MADD kicks off campaign to cut holiday drunk driving

BY CARINE PETERSON  
EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

Kick-off for the Project Red Ribbon campaign is not until Tuesday, but distribution of the red ribbons has already begun.

The program is a nationwide awareness campaign developed by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) to remind people to drive sober during the holiday season and throughout the year. Project Red Ribbon continues until Jan. 1.

MADD is asking everyone to tie a red ribbon to their left vehicle door handle or any other visible location to serve as a reminder to anyone entering the vehicle to drive sober.

The red ribbon also serves as a sign that the vehicle's owner has chosen to "tie one on for safety" and has joined MADD's campaign.

Red ribbons for the campaign are available at several local businesses and in the Billingsly Student Center. According to Rhonda Branham, purchasing secretary at Missouri Southern, city and police vehicles in

Webb City, Joplin, and Neosho will all sport red ribbons.

In addition, the U.S. postal service in Joplin and several area businesses including wholesale beer distributors will display ribbons on their vehicles.

MADD will hold its 10-year anniversary candlelight vigil at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8, in Sacramento, Calif., on the state capitol steps.

Many of MADD's 400 chapters throughout the United States simultaneously will conduct local candlelight vigils. Branham said similar events will be held in Great Britain, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand.

The Jasper County MADD chapter will hold its vigil in front of the Billingsly Student Center.

Candles tied with red ribbons will be given to each person who attends. Participants later will be asked to transfer the ribbons to their vehicles for the holidays.

Branham said the vigil is of remembrance and hope.

You are remembering the people in the past who have been killed or

injured by alcohol-related accidents, she said, "and you hope for that people will not have that way."

A roll call for victims of related crashes will be made.

Branham said she hopes 300 people will attend. She, Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) chapters and local

to attend the vigil as well.

A common bond is shared, vigils, according to Branham, has lost family members.

"I do not have anything to do with them drinking," she said just like them, for their

everybody else, not to go

and drive after drinking.

Branham invited Barb, first lady recently made a phone call to Branham, her regrets at not being

there.

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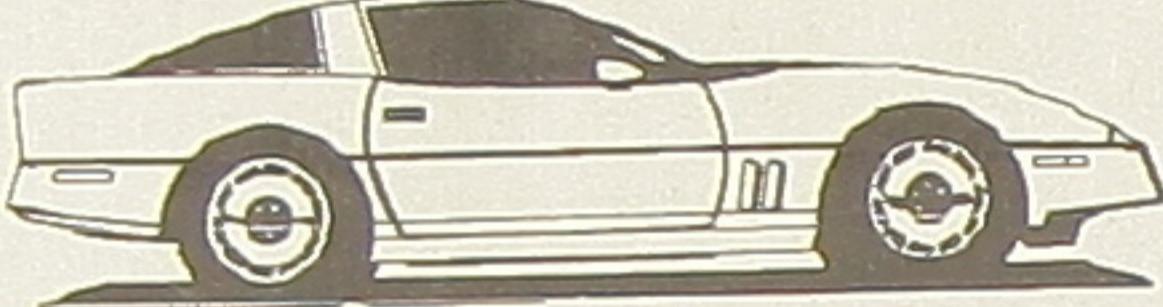
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# Koinonia receives money

Senators question giving funds to religious organization

BY DIANE VAN DERA  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

**S**tudent Senate last night held what could be its most controversial meeting of the semester. An allocation of \$998 to Koinonia Christian Campus Ministry to travel to Saltillo, Mexico over Spring Break, sparked a discussion of the separation of church and state, and how Senate funds are given out.

"I know that we operate on student activity fees, so we're really not [giving] state money," said David Swenson, junior senator, "but the whole idea of this thing makes the hair on the back of my neck raise with the separation of church and state. I know that technically we're not spending state money, but our name and Missouri Southern State College's name is going to go on this."

A long-time debate over whether or not Student Senate funds are state funds is the major issue. Student activities fees are paid to the College, and then are handed out through the Business Affairs office. The question has long been whether or not the money becomes state funds in the transfer.

Lory St. Clair, senate treasurer, said the College had the chance in the past to decide if it wanted Koi-

nonia to represent it.

"In order for an organization to be recognized, it not only goes through Student Senate, it goes through Faculty Senate and the Board of Regents," she said. "If they had a problem with Koinonia representing a state college, they would have nipped it in the bud. And I don't think it's going to be a big problem."

Lee Hunt, junior senator, said the issue was not over separation of church and state, but rather one of culture.

"I just think we really shouldn't get hung up on whether this is a church issue or a religious issue or not," Hunt said. "We should realize that in Latin America, sometimes it's hard to separate the religion from the culture, and with our international push, we could really be binding ourselves if we set that kind of a precedent."

Some senators said the spending of Senate funds should be something that would benefit the student body, and, as they are representative of the student body, should try to vote as the students would.

"I think with something like this, that's something that maybe not all students would agree with," said Karen Taylor, senate vice-president.

"I'm just not so sure that I would feel right voting to submit the student's money on something like this."

Larry Seneker, freshman senator, also expressed a concern over the vote.

"This sounds like a great deal, but it sounds like a service project," Seneker said. "And I don't see where it's our place to allocate money for this."

Koinonia, a non-denominational campus ministry organization, took a similar trip last year. At that time, funding came from local churches. If the money from the Senate was not forthcoming, the organization's members would again have petitioned churches that Koinonia members are affiliated with.

In other business, Southern's student chapter of the National Association of Accountants petitioned the Senate for \$449 to refund their treasury from a seminar held at the College during the spring semester.

The Senate had previously given NAA \$570 dollars to fund the seminar, after the amount had been brought down from the requested \$1,000. Senators said the precedent of not re-funding an event should be upheld.

"I agree that we were hesitant [at the time], but we did make our decision, and I think we should stand behind it," St. Clair said.

The Senate voted unanimously not to give NAA the funding.

## ONE-MAN BAND



STAFF PHOTO BY KAYLEA HUTSON

Allen Ross, from Carthage, sang yesterday for the lunch crowd at the Billings Student Center cafeteria. Ross is a student here.

## MSTV advances to finals

BY STACIE SISK  
STAFF WRITER

**F**or the second year in a row, "Newsmakers," an MSTV production, is making headlines in national competition.

The Community Broadcasters Association has again selected MSTV's entry as a finalist in its contest for best local news production among low-power stations.

This year's entry, "Newsmakers-Cardinal Caravan," was produced and submitted by Judy Stiles, community service director.

"I think our entry was selected because it went beyond the traditional talk show," Stiles said. "We went to the field—beyond the other stations' interview format."

"Cardinal Caravan," which aired on "Newsmakers" in March, features the St. Louis Cardinals' promotional team. The "caravan" travels through Missouri and Illinois cities. Stiles' crew caught up with it in Lebanon.

The tape highlighted the upcoming season and featured Cardinal players Terry Pendleton, John Tudor, and Danny Cox.

CBA will present awards to the top three finalists. Stiles is among the top five. Awards will be presented Monday at the Riviera Hotel and Convention Center in Las Vegas.

Categories for awards include news, non-news programming, promotions & public service announcements, and commercials.

"Cardinal Caravan" was selected for entry among 52 "Newsmakers" programs. The show airs at 8 p.m. every Wednesday on MSTV and K57DR.

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weekend to announce details of the development. No announcement was made. Many people, including Taylor, were unaware of any plans for a press conference.

The Chart contacted Belfor yesterday in his Brooklyn, N.Y., office. He made no statements in reference to the development, and told

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Rod Association, who may sponsor the racetrack portion, were responsible for the initial announcement.

"Part of it was Mr. Belfor and part of it was the NHRA," Taylor said. "He (Long) wasn't really prepared to do that. If it was up to me, I would have never done it."

Darrell Zimmerman, West Central

Division director for NHRA, told The Chart yesterday that he had not spoken with anyone involved in the development for almost five weeks.

"I have not talked to anybody," he said. "I have been skeptical from the beginning. It is my opinion that they ought to be looking for something at between \$3-\$4 million, something

that you can reasonably pay back."

Zimmerman said the NHRA is still interested in sanctioning the racetrack, but is miffed that no one close to the development has contacted him.

He has heard nothing about possible sites or other details surrounding the complex.

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### What is art?

**M**any who have looked at *The Springfield News Leader's* review of Photospiva '90 probably found the piece to be a curious read at best.

In the review, John Simmons suggested that some of the artwork in the exhibition wasn't even art; that one photo was given a first-place as a cry of protest over recent attempts to censor photographic art. Simmons chose his words with abandon, as he latched onto a conservative craze whose roots are seemingly steeped in community, not artistic, standards.

The photo in question depicts a partially nude woman with her daughter embracing her. The woman's breasts are tattooed. A juror, whom Spiva Art Center found to be a qualified judge of photographic art, weighed the photo against a pool of others and decided it deserved a top prize. Beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

But Simmons transcends that old cliche in a tragic way. By suggesting the photo does not even constitute being called "art," he demeans not just that photo, but the entire exhibit.

### Unbelievable

**A** blunder of blunders.

When the Student Senate gave Koinonia \$998 yesterday, it attempted to chip away at the wall between church and state. Only four senators correctly saw the allocation for what it was: a blatant misuse of public funds to support a religious venture, and a horrific compromise of a doctrine held dear by many.

This is different from funding other organizations that target equally important goals. This is money being used to support God's work, which should always be devoid of funds rubber stamped by a public body. And, yes, the Senate is a public body.

This is unbelievable.

### Liberal arts

**T**he Academic Policies Committee's approval of a biomedical ethics course is encouraging to the College's liberal arts mission.

There was some word that members of the committee had raised concerns about the class. Such talk was evident in the committee's 10-5 decision in favor of the class. Closed mouths are keeping those concerns a secret.

Such a class would be a minor boon to the curriculum. The subject of biomedical ethics would open up quite a few doors of thought, and that can only mean good things for a liberal arts education.

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### 'The Chart' cannot read students' minds

BY ANGIE STEVENSON  
MANAGING EDITOR

**T**he *Chart* wants your opinion. "OK, it sucks," was inked in reply to this request on one of the pink fliers posted around campus. Apparently someone isn't happy with their campus newspaper.

My first reaction when I saw this particular flier in Matthews Hall was one of indignation. I took the negative feedback personally because *The Chart* is a product partly of my work and any attack on it is an attack on my colleagues and me. After my anger subsided, I concluded that this person's opinion was obviously not correct; after all, that was the only general negative feedback I had received. If there were others who felt this way, I thought surely we would know about it. But would we?

While this one incident may simply have been a case of someone missing the antics of their high school days when it was considered cute to write charming anecdotes on any posters or fliers within their grasp, it made me think that perhaps student opinion of *The Chart* is often overlooked.

In spite of our solicitation of student opinions, we

### EDITOR'S COLUMN

have received very few letters to the editor this semester—eight to be exact. Of those letters, only a few have expressed concern or approval in relation to *The Chart*. Only one expressed a student's point of view concerning an article, and even then the letter was pointed at the administration. This is not to say that we do not appreciate letters we get on any topic from any reader, but it does show that if some students feel *The Chart* is not serving their needs in a campus newspaper, we are not hearing about it. Several possible reasons come to mind.

One might think the lack of feedback reflects a lack of controversial material in the newspaper. However, I doubt this is the case. The front page of the Sept. 27 edition told of Southern student Mike Long's business proposal to build a racing motorplex and included insights into Long's background. In printing the story, *The Chart* faced a possible lawsuit, threatened by Long's attorney. While I heard incidents of people speculating as to whether we were right in including aspects of Long's background in the story, we received not one letter or phone call in relation to the story.

Perhaps another reason could be that students are not even reading *The Chart*, in which case we have a real problem. But I must discount this hypothesis as well, for I have seen students reading the newspaper. We are printing about 800 more copies per

week this year, too. And unless the editions are ending up as wrapping paper or fire starters, the 4,000 copies are consumed each week is a good indication that someone is reading the paper.

The only solution remaining must be that *The Chart* is perfect and students wouldn't change it. Unfortunately, I find trouble believing this. The newspaper belongs to the students; input is needed to insure that the product we distribute is of interest and of pertinence to our readers.

If there are suggestions for ways we might improve, now is the time to let *The Chart* staff know. The new semester nearly here, it is a good time to input students might have. If the person who says *The Chart* "sucks" really believes that, then it is time for them to know why. Here is the catch that perhaps some of you from letting us know how you feel about it is to stand behind your opinion. Your phone calls only obtain credibility if you are willing to put your name behind your voice.

It is time for students to put an end to being recipients. "The Tonight Show" (a.k.a. "The Show") monologues may be a good way to keep up on current world events for your government class, but Johnny Carson is not asking for your opinion. I'm afraid there is not a parallel way to what's going on around Missouri Southern. The campus newspaper was created just for that reason: to provide students with the kind of news and features they want to read. And while we read *The Chart*, *The Chart* cannot read you.

### Adaptability necessary to move forward

BY KATHLEEN GRIM  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF BUSINESS

**S**ome people are flexible and adaptable—assets necessary for college graduates entering the world of work. For example, just a few years ago, people learning to type did so on manual typewriters. Stress in teaching was on quality and productivity. Copy had to have a good appearance, and any corrections were made by erasing errors carefully and completely. Speed was important, also, and was attained with such handicaps as striking the keys with pressure and "throwing" the carriage (a large portion of the machine) with the left hand completely off the keyboard and following the lever all the way across the machine.

Then electric typewriters were bought by schools for training. What an advancement—but it required adaptability to the sensitive touch and simple reach with the right-hand little finger to "return" the small working part of the machine to the left margin, especially for those who had learned on the manual. The belief was that electrics would increase speed and accuracy and make good copy more easy to produce.



### IN PERSPECTIVE

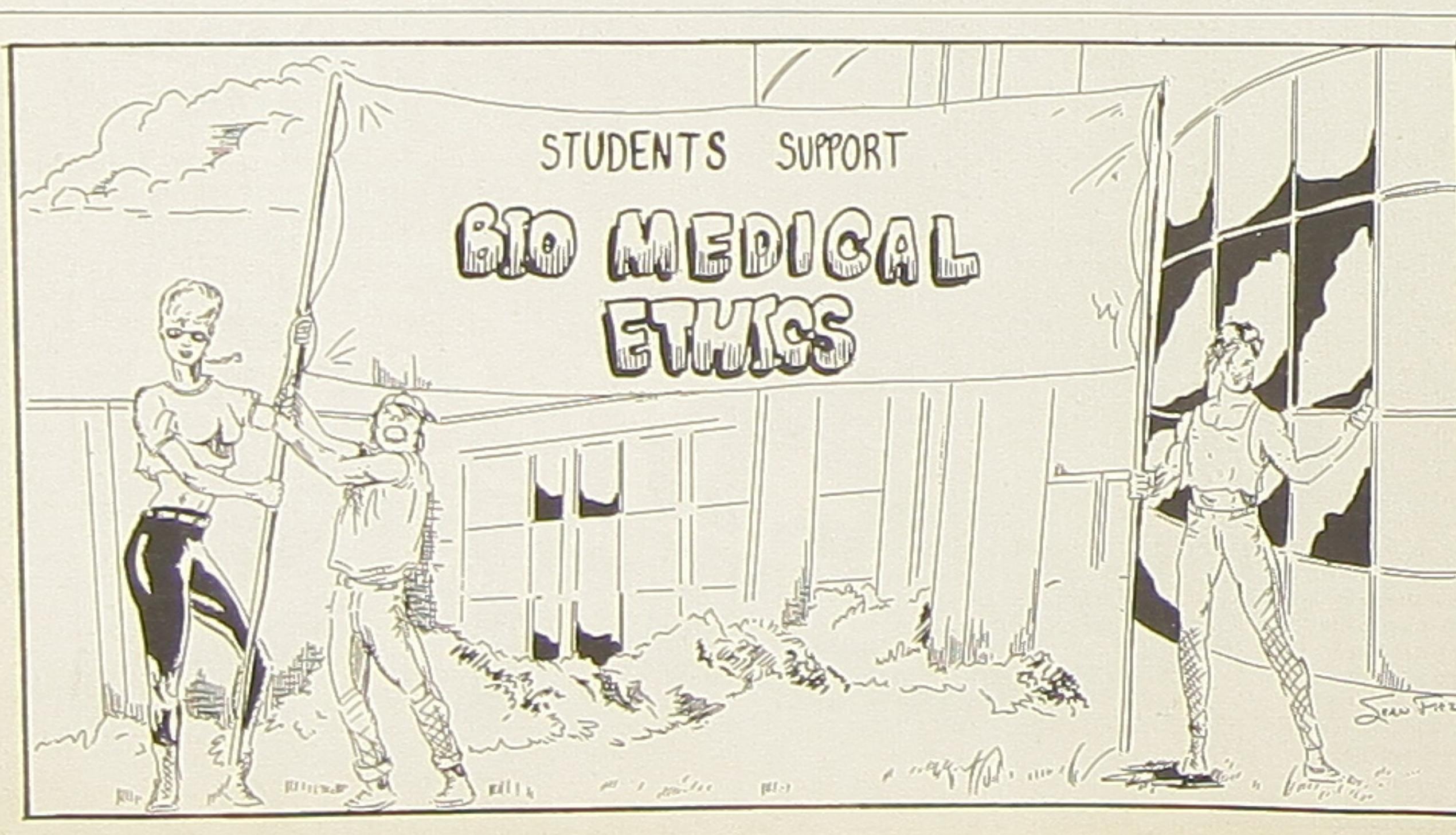
Next, manufacturers designed typewriters with a simple correction key and memory. Errors were "lifted off" by a simple backspace stroke; and with memory, one keying project could produce many copies. Yet, proofreading was a problem for business. Errors were easier to find on hard copy but still were difficult to correct using this method.

Needless to say, with IBM's invention of the movable printing element permitting more speed, and then the development of the screen to see typed material before printing, we could expect perfect copy in greater quantities thus increasing efficiency and productivity.

We are fortunate at Missouri Southern that our administrators have invested in hardware and software that is accessible to students. They adapted to the changing times and provided hands-on experience with this equipment very early. The advent of computers has created the need for space, personnel, supplies, and other budgetary items. Others who have changed or adapted to the new technology are teachers who have had to retrain, restructure course work, and in many cases, decide which was more important—to spend class time teaching basic word processing and computer principles or teach course content in the traditional way. Students will use electronic equipment in their work, so educators must challenge and help prepare workers to be effective employees.

What does this do for the student in a classroom? It stresses writing, for example? Does this complete the learning process when the student is told to use a computer keyboard and type (maybe all students have not had Typewriting), and to use word processing software which has never been used before? To learn this skill, one must practice that skill. To learn it properly, one must be trained in writing and must decide how much to expect and what to teach priorities.

We want students to be "computer literate." We encourage the use of electronic equipment. Many of those who do not format correctly, affect the quality of their assignments. And what of those who do not know how to key efficiently? Where do they learn—will they go through life using a trial-and-error system? Will business have to offer on-the-job training? These are questions both teachers and students must consider. We must be able to adapt to change if we are to meet the challenges ahead. I challenge you to think of your abilities and perhaps courses in keyboarding and word processing would be advantageous to you. If so, consider them as electives and make your future with computers more sure and more enjoyable.



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# Israel still an ally for United States

**Sharon says coalition won't fight**

[Editor's note: Ariel Sharon is Israel's Minister of Housing and Construction. He also serves on the 11-member Ministerial Defense Committee, which oversees Israel's defense policy. He was named minister of defense in 1981, but resigned two years later. During his tenure as defense minister, he was charged with "indirect responsibility" for the massacre of Palestinians in Beirut refugee camps. Sharon was interviewed in Tel Aviv on Nov. 1 by Nathan Gardels for the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.]

Recently, the U.S. took the very rare step of joining the Soviet Union in a U.N. vote against Israel, first calling for an investigation into the Oct. 8 Temple Mount killings, then further condemning Israel for rejecting a U.N. investigative team.

Israel has said the U.S. acted only to mollify the Arab coalition it has built against Iraq. But isn't that exactly the point? Doesn't such an act by the U.S. indicate a serious divergence of strategic interests? Perhaps the U.S. strategic interest in the Middle East region lies more with moderate Arab states like Saudi Arabia than with Israel?

**SHARON:** There is a major difference between Israel and all the Arab countries. Israel is the only stable democracy that exists here, from Iran across the Middle East and Africa all the way to the Atlantic.

Personally, I don't think one can rely on regimes which are not democratic. After all, in recent years we were told by American officials that Iraq was becoming a "moderate" country and that Saddam Hussein was a reasonable leader. Look what happened.

They also told us that [Yasser] Arafat [of the PLO] was beginning to change his ways. Look what happened. Arafat is the main supporter of the Arab world of the worst murderer and dictator around, Saddam Hussein.

The U.S. is making the same mistake now with President [Hafez] Assad of Syria, trying to present him as a reasonable man who is moderating. Look at what is happening. With the consent of the United States—otherwise he wouldn't have done it—he has occupied the Christian enclave in Beirut. His forces massacred 800 people. Not a word from the U.N. Security Council. Not one sentence from the United States was heard. Whole families were killed. Wives were raped. Children murdered. It's hypocrisy.

Lebanon is the reward Assad is getting for participating in the coalition that President Bush managed to establish—which, by itself, is undoubtedly a real achievement. So, he gets a reward, we pay a price. Blaming Israel for what you called "killing" on the Temple Mount is the price Israel is paying for this coalition.

Today, Saudi Arabia is getting massive American support. But I don't need to tell you what kind of regime the Saudis are, or the Kuwaitis were. There are no secrets here. Like all the other Arab monarchies or dictatorships, Saudi Arabia is inherently unstable. Tomorrow, Saudi Arabia could be an entirely different regime than it is today. And who knows what they will do then, with all those U.S.-supplied weapons?

After this event in Kuwait authored by Saddam Hussein, the Middle East will never be the same again. With time there will be changes. Then how will all those weapons be used?

Israel, on the other hand, can change governments regularly, shifting from this party to that party, but will remain stable and non-aggressive toward its neighbors.

As to our strategic interests, we have never regarded ourselves as the policemen for the United States in the Middle East. We are the policemen of ourselves. We are not mercenaries for anyone.

The fact that we became a strategic ally of the U.S. is because we, though a small nation, learned to defend ourselves, thus becoming a stabilizing factor in the Middle East. I don't see any other such country in the Middle East.

In the long run, objectively, I don't see a change in the importance of Israel to the United States. There is, I would say, an immediate need of the United States to keep together the Arab coalition. But the U.S. should not have the illusion that this coalition will bring the Syrians and Egyptians to take Iraq or participate in a war against Iraq.

They won't fight against another Arab country?

No, of course not. But the agreement of the Arab world gives the necessary umbrella that President Bush did need and needs now for coming to Saudi Arabia. I would say the coalition President Bush has built is very interesting. I regard it as an achievement. Of course, everything depends on what will happen as a result of it.

Another point. If the United States would have implemented what I offered to the U.S. in a memorandum of understanding and strategic cooperation, which I signed as minister of defense on Nov. 30, 1981, things might have been different. It was Mr. [Menachem] Begin's and my own initiative. And, of course, I discussed it in 1982 with Washington after signing.

I explained in that memorandum that, in the Middle East, the most important factor was the time factor, not so much the size of forces at a given point. The time factor: how fast you could get troops and armaments there.

I don't speak here about stationing soldiers, just the prepositioning of

## EARTHWEEK: A DIARY OF THE PLANET

### Greenhouse Effects

An Australian government report announced that heavier rainfall and warmer temperatures resulting from the greenhouse effect will cause more asthma, infectious diseases, and possibly cancer. The report looks at life 40 years from now based on best estimates of the effects of global warming and depletion of the ozone layer. It also suggests there will be more natural disasters—cyclones that strike Australia further south than ever before, with fires and flooding raging in other areas.

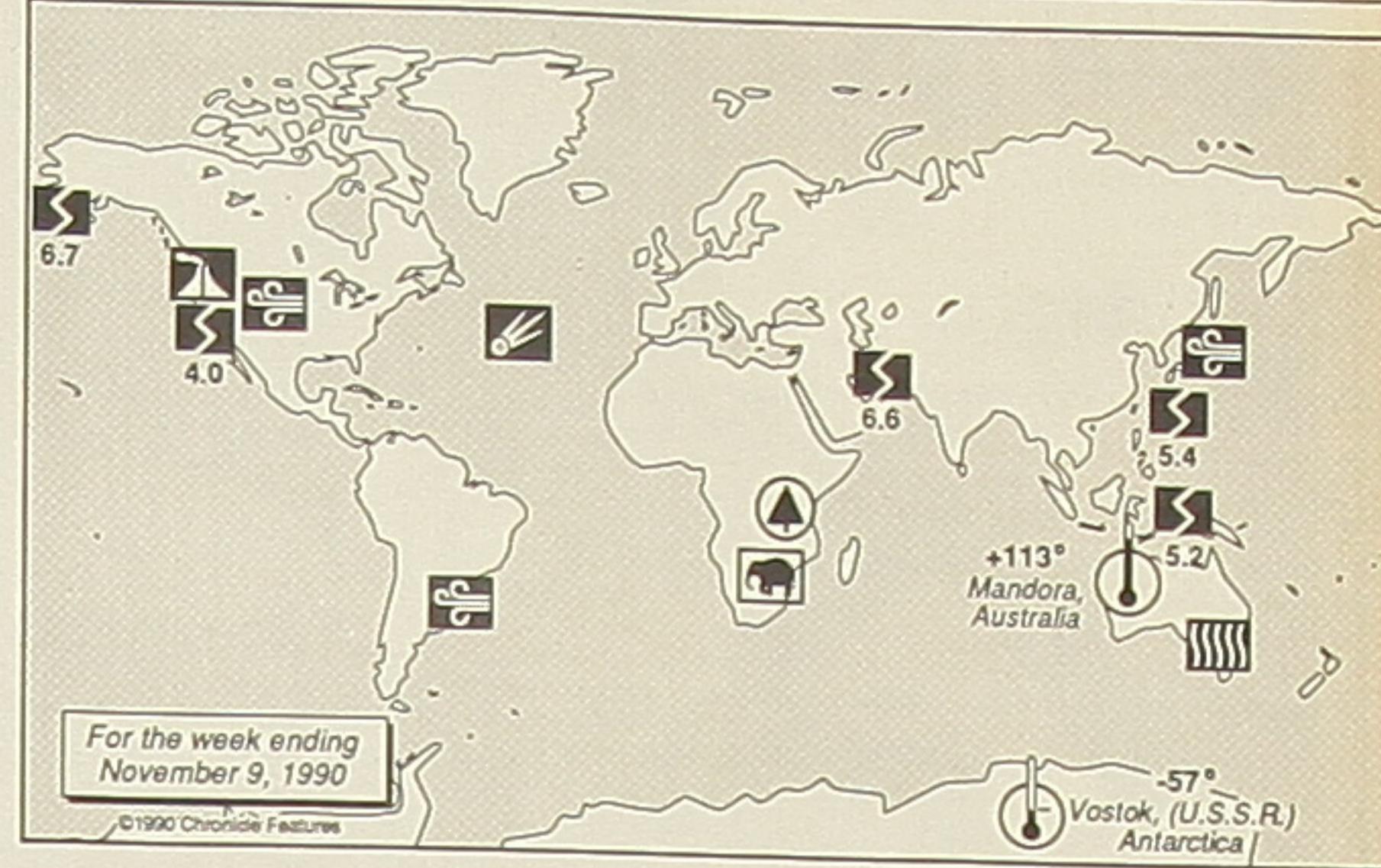
Global warming should add to the ice in Antarctica rather than melt it, but world sea levels are still expected to rise by up to three feet over the next century, according to scientists at a U.N. conference. John Houghton, chief of the British Meteorological Office, said that Antarctica is now too cold to get very much snow, but warming will result in a larger ice pack. Others at the conference concluded that the ocean levels will still rise because the Greenland ice sheet and glaciers of the northern polar region will melt due to warmer global temperatures.

### Earthquakes

A powerful tremor measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale hit a mountainous area of southern Iran, killing more than 20 people and leaving 21,000 homeless. Earth movements were also felt in the Indonesian province of Irian Jaya, the Mariana Islands, the Aleutian Islands, and along the California and Nevada border.

### Eruption

Without warning, Mount St. Helens rumbled to life, shaking violently and sending an ash cloud soaring 30,000 feet above Washington State. Scientists called it a minor eruption, but it was the strongest to occur during the past 10 months. Chris Trisler, a spokeswoman at the University of



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Washington Geophysics Lab in Seattle, said the blast may have destroyed two seismic monitoring stations on the north side of the lava dome. However, Trisler noted that a telemetry station atop the dome was still intact—a clear sign that a major eruption had not occurred.

### November Storms

Fierce storms lashing the southern Brazilian state of Rio Grande do Sul killed at least five people. Flood-swollen rivers in Porto Alegre swept three of the victims to their deaths.

Landslides, flooding, and high surf in central and northern Japan killed nine people and left two others missing. Five fishermen were drowned when huge waves washed them from shore into the sea at Shizuoka, 80 miles southwest of Tokyo.

Arctic winds whipped up snow squalls from the Rocky Mountains to the U.S. Great Plains in a marked change of seasons for the region.

### Aphid Attack

The Kenyan government says about 8.6 billion dollars worth of cedar and cypress trees are threatened by a plague of aphids. Environment Minister Njoroge Mungai said the insects threatened 900,000 acres of forest, and that "the situation demands continued spraying."

### Elephant Cull

Elephants are being brought close to extinction by ivory hunters in many parts of Africa, but Zimbabwe announced that 4,000 must be killed before the end of the year to avoid an ecological catastrophe. The elephant population in the Hwange National Park near the Zambian border is believed to be 27,000, and growing at a rate of five percent per year. Wildlife experts fear that this growing number threatens the survival of other species, and could result in deforestation and soil erosion. Almost

12,000 elephants have been killed in Zimbabwe since 1980, but the government says it halted the culling four years ago, mainly because of a lack of experienced hunters.

### Star Dust

Particles from disintegrating comets, rich in amino acids and other organic compounds, may have rained onto prehistoric Earth, seeding the planet with ingredients necessary for primordial life to form. Scientists at NASA's Ames Research Center published a report in the British journal *Nature* that theorizes the breakup of giant comets in the inner solar system could have produced clouds rich in the molecular building-blocks of life. As Earth sailed through those clouds in its orbit around the sun, the dust could have made it to the surface without burning up in the atmosphere, according to the article.

**Additional Sources:** U.S. Climate Analysis Center, U.S. Earthquake Information Center and the World Meteorological Organization.

**SHARON:** I think that leaving Saddam Hussein with all his weapons is to leave him victorious. He is not defeated now. Does he look defeated? No.

It will be very hard to build up again this grand and unprecedented coalition if nothing happens now.

I can only emphasize the dangers. I cannot advocate what the U.S. and its allies now must do. I can only say, as an experienced military man who has fought many battles in the Middle East, that the United States now has all the military strength to destroy the Iraqi military machine completely. Completely.

An in your view, whatever the consequences, that would be better for stability in the Middle East than any alternative?

**SHARON:** Yes. Going to war is a very hard decision and it is not my place to recommend to the United States what to do. But how can it happen that the whole free world is beholden to one man, a dictator—one man! And that tremendous coalition sitting and waiting there in the desert and the Persian Gulf. The consequences of such a precedent are very dangerous for the whole world.

# Ungovernability: South Africa's problem

**THE ECONOMIST ▶**

anything to his country's future—more even than his views on economics or the kind of constitution South Africa eventually gets. If untamed, the culture of strikes and boycotts will undermine the most enlightened economies; the political intolerance that goes with it will reduce any new constitution, however prettily worded, to scrap.

Ungovernability means another dismal tragedy added to Africa's long list.

A good deal of the present mayhem reflects the special tensions of transition. The government has released the men it once called terrorists. White conservatives cry traitor. White vigilantes strut about the mining town of Welkom, comparing Mandela to a pig on the farm that will last until Christmas. Blacks retaliate with a boycott of white shops. Two whites are killed. Later, the police kill three blacks in a mining-hostel riot. A white miner is killed underground the next day.

Much more viciously, transition has inflamed rivalries between black parties. The bloodiest feud is between Mandela's ANC and the Zulu-based Inkatha movement, led by Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Their fighting in Buthelezi's heartland of Natal got worse in February, the month Mandela was let out of prison, and President F.W. de Klerk's white government is ready to do most of its power. Mandela therefore appeals for discipline. But ungovernability is appallingly difficult to undo.

Mandela's success in restoring political discipline matters more than

tanks. Just a division or two divisions of reserve tanks. That would enable the U.S. to reach any point in the Middle East.

To answer your question, I don't [see that] any fundamental change in U.S.-Israeli relations has taken place. In the short term, temporarily, there may be a problem but we don't know what is going to happen in the future in Syria, Saudi Arabia, or the Persian Gulf emirates. Who knows what will happen in Egypt?

We only know what is going to happen in Israel. It is the one corner of stability in the whole Middle East.

For all of the stability of Israeli democracy, it couldn't protect the strategic interest of the U.S. and the rest of the West in the Middle East—namely the oil reserves of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. Democracy in an ally, some might say, is a luxury; the capacity to defend oil a necessity.

**SHARON:** We never claimed that we are the protector of American oil. We are a stabilizing factor. That by itself is the importance of Israel. Don't think for one minute that Israel would make a sacrifice for the oil interests of anyone.

That's just the point. With respect

to the strategic interest of oil, wouldn't Saudi Arabia be a better bet as the key U.S. ally in the region?

**SHARON:** I tell you. The only one who can protect the oil is the United States itself. No one else can do it. Without the U.S. presence now, no one would have done it. No one would have tried to face the Iraqis.

As for Israel, we are living here in this part of the world. We are not going to pay any price whatsoever. We are not going to make any concessions in order to make the United States' life easier here in this region.

For the United States, it is a matter of oil. For us, it is a matter of life and death. That is the answer.

You said that the Arab forces arrayed with the U.S. are not going to war with Iraq. Does that mean you think there won't be war?

**SHARON:** I don't know. The Arabs made it very clear they went to Saudi Arabia to defend the Saudis. They never said they would participate in a war. Without the U.S., they would never have been there at all, unless they would have interests in controlling Saudi Arabia.

This, of course, is a danger now and one must understand it. I would

be very careful, if I were the United States, to move its forces out and leave behind the Syrians and Egyptians, who both need the economic support of Saudi Arabia. If they stay behind with their armies, they will take control of Saudi Arabia.

We have to ask ourselves, what brought President Bush to take the courageous decision to form this coalition? What brought him to do this was to defend the free world's economy. I don't think the U.S. was too familiar with the Kuwaits—and thought the world must mobilize to save them.

So what has happened? There is a tremendous concentration of first-class American armed forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf and Turkey. One thousand planes, the most sophisticated that exist in the world. Another 1,000 tanks. Some 200,000 American soldiers, with more coming from Europe. The other European forces. What brought them there was to allow the free world to continue with its normal life.

So the pursuit of a peaceful compromise will leave Saddam with the upper hand and will leave him with his military machine intact?

the struggle is the idea that politicians can solve most things. It is not just that blacks are caught in the statist 1960s. It is that they have been trying for so long to win political power that they have forgotten other challenges.

"Liberation now, education later," went a slogan of the mid-1980s. The struggle has made blacks passive, says Aggrey Klaaste, the editor of the *Sowetan*. They wait upon the miracle of political liberation to dissolve their troubles, rather than tackling their problems themselves.

Klaaste campaigns bravely against this malady. He calls on blacks to embrace self-improvement, pleading that businessmen and scientists are models to be admired. Whites have smothered him with invitations to join their company boards. Blacks accuse him of trying to make oppression look good. Klaaste endorsed the efforts of some Soweto residents to clear away rubbish and plant gardens instead. "Garden politics," came the taunt.

Klaaste calls his idea "nationbuilding"; he needs help to wean his countrymen from their nation-breaking ways. Some come from other black journalists, not afraid to speak out against the notion that white oppression excuses black intolerance.

"We have sat smugly on our oppressed backsides," wrote Jon Qwane during the ANC-Inkatha fighting, "and meted out our own brand of inhumanity to our fellow men."

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## Japanese nurses strike

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TOKYO—An estimated 100,000 nurses and other medical workers walked out of work Nov. 9 at about 1,100 hospitals throughout Japan, seeking an increase in the number of nurses and better working conditions.

The Japan Federation of Medical Workers Union, which comprises 170,000 medical workers, organized the nationwide walkout. It represents about 120,000 of Japan's 780,000 nurses.

Walkouts were limited to one to four hours and precautions were taken for emergency treatment, the federation said.

"Nurses are being treated like rags," Hisako Ejiri, president of the federation, told some 180 nurses and other medical workers who gathered at the hospital of Tokyo Women's Medical College.

"The harsh working conditions have obliged us to resort to walkouts."

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## STRESS RELIEF



Senior communications major Lane Largent takes a whack at the Car Bashing last Friday. The event served as a fund raiser for Alpha Epsilon Rho, a broadcasting honor society. Z103 radio was on hand to provide music. Midway Auto Salvage of Joplin supplied the car.

STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

## Turkey Walk to raise money Saturday

BY P.J. GRAHAM  
STAFF WRITER

**A**t a time when most turkeys are being walked toward the grocer's freezer, Missouri Southern will be hosting a Turkey Walk as a fundraiser for the American Heart Association.

The Turkey Walk will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in Hughes Stadium.

Southern was contacted by two AHA representatives from Springfield in mid-September about the fundraiser.

Marty Conklin, wellness director and chairman of the Turkey Walk, said he was pleased the American Heart Association chose Southern to

hold the fundraiser.

"I think the fact that we have a nice facility attracted them," he said.

Originally, the walk was supposed to be five miles, but it was cut down to two miles.

"Walking the two miles is only a symbol," Conklin said. "We could have gone door-to-door and asked for donations. It's (the Turkey Walk) trying to show people that 'Hey, this isn't too bad.'

Conklin said the pre-determined mileage is plus when collecting the sponsor's donations. A set donation is being asked from walkers rather than one per mile. This will save the hassle of having to call back sponsors.

Although this is the first time Southern has hosted a Turkey Walk,

the AHA is hoping about 200 people will participate. However, Conklin isn't convinced the Walk will bring in that many.

"I don't know how the community itself will respond," he said. "I'd be ecstatic with 75 people. If we could do that, that would be great."

Conklin and Evalina Shippee, assistant professor of nursing and co-chairperson for the Walk, expect many faculty and health-oriented students to join in.

"Strong nursing student participation is expected because they are wellness oriented," Shippee said.

Incentives for participation have been added to the Turkey Walk.

Prizes will be awarded depending how much money a walker collects.

These prizes include pins, Turkey Wall T-shirts, sweatshirts, squeeze-bottles, sport bags, and beach towels.

Also, anybody who raises \$50 or more will receive a free turkey, donated by Con Agra, and be eligible for a drawing for a stationary bike donated by Joplin's Wal-Mart.

Because walking is a "safe activity," Turkey Walk planners aren't expecting problems with anyone sustaining injuries. However, if anything does go wrong, they are prepared.

"We'll have the nurses, and I'm a certified athletic trainer," Conklin said. "And we've invited physicians to come out and walk with us."

"This is an opportunity to promote fitness. It's not a race and shouldn't cause any problems."

## Chemistry club seeks members

Alpha Chi Sigma requests chapter

BY KAYLEA HUTSON  
STAFF WRITER

**J**ust like magic, Missouri Southern students have formed a chemistry club.

The club, Alpha Chi Sigma, will send in its national charter later this week. The club is still in its formation stage.

"It is a chapter of the national organization, which is called American Chemical Society student affiliate," said Dr. Mel Mosher, professor of chemistry and one of the club's advisers. "All of the student-affiliated chapters are named Alpha Chi Sigma."

According to Mosher, the club was formed after a group of upperclass chemistry students expressed an interest in starting an organization.

"We had a chemistry, physics, and engineering club many years ago," Mosher said, "and partly due to the fact that there was no interest and we also had very few majors in those programs, [the club] kind of died out."

"The students who are juniors decided that they wanted to have some type of organization."

The club is open to anyone who has an interest in chemistry.

Members of Alpha Chi Sigma are in the process of becoming an official organization on campus. In order to become an official club, the group must have a minimum of 20 members and send in a petition to the Student Senate.

"We first wanted to become recognized by the American Chemical Society," Mosher said. "We have a charter written, which we believe falls entirely along the lines of the other charters on campus. Also, our charter is along the lines of the ACM guidelines."

Alpha Chi Sigma organizers held a meeting Oct. 20 to organize the

club. The 19 charter members signed on the club's charter and officers.

Students instrumental in organizing the chemistry club include Chuck Dake, Tim Elam, David Fischer, Paul Hopfe, and Diane Standee Margaret White will be president.

Club dues are based on part of the organization the students join. National dues are \$14, while local dues are \$1 per semester. Mosher said students do not have to be members of the national to become members of the local club.

"The group is professional in look," he said, "so we are going to have some speakers come in to talk to us about chemical research places like Arkansas and Oklahoma. We are going to also be professionals in the sense that we will be going some of the local industries and tours of their facilities."

The group plans to tour Picher and Atlas Powder Company.

Alpha Chi Sigma also plans to be active in several service activities. Several members have expressed interest in going to area elementary schools and junior high schools to present a chemistry magic show to students about chemistry.

Mosher said along with the club members hope to present chemistry in such a way that young students will become interested in the sciences.

Members also plan to have an aspect to the club with such as pizza parties.

"With the social aspect, I think that we will see that we have a more tightly knit group of people than we have had before," Mosher said.

According to Mosher, the club should have all of the papers finished and be recognized as a formal club in three weeks.

## Local business endows Southern's NAA chapter

## Council plans reception for faculty, staff

Christmas activities next on Greek's list

**P**reparation for rush week and a faculty and staff banquet are two of the planned activities keeping the Greeks busy this semester.

A rush booklet has been prepared for entering freshmen and anyone interested in fraternities and sororities.

"The booklet explains what we are all about and what we do during

the year," said Nancy Disharoon, adviser for the Greek Council.

Rush week is held every fall, giving prospective members a chance to go to parties and meetings. During the week, rushees are exposed to all Greek organizations before choosing or being chosen by a particular fraternity or sorority.

"The fraternities are still taking members but the sororities are full," Disharoon said. "This is how it has been for the past few years. Anyone

wanting to join a sorority would stand a better chance during rush week."

Another important activity coming up is a faculty and staff reception. It will be held from 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 28 in the Connor Ballroom. All faculty and staff are invited.

"The reception is our way of saying thank you to faculty and staff for all their help and support," Disharoon said.

All Greek chapters are involved in the support group for the families of the Operation Desert Shield personnel.

The Council plans to sell raffle tickets to raise funds so Christmas packages and other care parcels can be sent to those stationed in Saudi Arabia. The Council already has sent some packages to servicemen there.

The Council also is setting up an Angel Tree as part of an adopt-a-grandparent program for Christmas.

"We have started a lot of activities," said Dr. James S. Kurtz, faculty sponsor of the College chapter. "Student dues only far. It's just a wonderful day."

Baird, Kurtz and Dobson, according to Shaver, is the largest accounting firm in Joplin.

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## Upcoming Events

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THURSDAY

Koinonia: Basement of apartment B, 11 a.m.

Wesley Foundation: Room 314 BSC, 11 a.m.

LDSSA: Room 314 BSC, Noon

Student Services: Room 310 BSC, Noon

Tug Of War: Soccer Field, 12:30 p.m., \$100 first prize to women and men's winning team. Team must consist of no more than 5 people, men no more than 1,000 pounds for team, women no more than 800 pounds.

Crossroads: Communications office, 3 p.m.

Scholarship Banquet: Keystone Room BSC, 6:30 p.m.

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SATURDAY

Lady Lions Basketball: at Cameron University Classic, Lawton, Okla., TBA

Cross Country: NCAA Division II Championships, TBA

Football: NCAA Division II Playoffs (1st round), TBA

Lions Basketball: vs. Bartlesville Wesleyan, 7:30 p.m.

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SUNDAY

Kappa Alpha: 2nd floor lounge, 3 p.m.

Sigma Pi: Room 311 BSC, 6 p.m.

Lambda Beta Phi: Room 306 BSC, 6 p.m.

Koinonia: Basement of apartment B, 6:30 p.m.

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FRIDAY

Prexy Club: House of Lords Room BSC, 7:30 a.m.

Student Services: Room 314 BSC, noon

Board of Regents: Room 310 and 314, 12:15 p.m.

2 on 2 Volleyball Deadline:

Divisions: men, women and co-ed. Tournaments begin Sunday.

Lady Lions Basketball: at Cameron U. Classic, Lawton.

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MONDAY

LDSSA: Room 314 BSC, 8 a.m.

Thanksgiving Buffet: Third Floor BSC, 10:40 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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TUESDAY

MADD: Red Ribbon Campaign Kick-off

Baptist Student Union: Room 314 BSC, 11 a.m.

Newman Club: Room 310 BSC, noon

# Wichita jazz band to play

BY KELLY WELLS  
STAFF WRITER

Jazz enthusiasts in the area are going to have a chance to enjoy live jazz music on a regular basis.

Jazz in Joplin, a not-for-profit organization, was initiated last month by local residents to promote the availability of jazz entertainment in the city. It has already scheduled its first concert.

At 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 25 Bill Thomson and the Wichita Jazz Ensemble will perform in Taylor Auditorium. As a kick-off event for Jazz in Joplin, admission will be free. According to Cecie Fritz, a member of the group's board of directors, this concert looks to promote interest in jazz and inspire area residents to purchase season tickets.

The 1991 concert series has already been set, and performances slated include The Bob Badgley "Friendly Sons" Quartet, Feb. 17; the Trilogy Big Band, June 9; the Trio Grande, Sept. 8; and Steve Wilkerson's Powerhouse One, Nov. 3.

Robert Meeks, assistant professor of music at Southern, and Jerry Holcomb also serve on the board of directors. One of the group's primary goals is to bring jazz to young adults. "All concerts will be free to Missouri Southern students with their ID, and a certain number of free tickets will be made available to local band directors to hand out to their students," Fritz said. "We want to encourage youth already interested in jazz and build up a following, an appreciation in the area."

The group eventually hopes to set up a scholarship program for students interested in jazz education and performance.

Tickets for the 1991 concert series will go on sale at the Nov. 25 concert. Season tickets will cost \$40.

Fritz said the appealing thing about jazz is that it is a group of people working together, listening to each other, and complementing each other with their music. A basic theme melody is the basis for variations created by the individual performers in the group.

"It's totally spontaneous improvisation," Fritz said, "and what you hear is strictly up to the creativity of the artist. It's exciting and surprising to see that basic theme approached in many different ways."

The Wichita Jazz Ensemble will feature jazz standards and easy listening. It performs regularly at the Wichita Jazz Festival and the River Jazz Festival.

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## HOLD THAT NOTE



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

During the Calvacade of Jazz concert Tuesday, Rick Sumler, freshman economics major, performs the solo portion of a number, accompanied by the remaining Missouri Southern jazz band members.

## Honor choir performs in Taylor

BY JAN GARDNER  
STAFF WRITER

The sound of music filled Taylor Auditorium Saturday as representatives from area schools displayed their merited talent in the annual all-district honor choir concert.

Webb City, Neosho, Carthage, and Joplin Junior and Senior High were among the 25 schools who sent students to audition for the choir.

Two hundred and forty students were chosen to participate in this year's choir, after being judged on their performance in a quartet and during a prepared solo.

The honors choir was conducted by Dr. Richard Weymuth, associate professor at Northwest Missouri State University and president of the Missouri American Choral Directors Association.

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He was also responsible for selecting the choir's concert pieces.

"I picked them because they were excellent selections that represented all kinds of music literature," Weymuth said.

During practice Saturday, more than 200 hopefuls vied for positions in the all-state honors choir which will be held at Tan-Tar-A Resort at the Lake of the Ozarks on Jan. 19.

Four vocalists from each vocal part (soprano, alto, tenor, and bass), along with one alternate from each part, were chosen by a group of judges for the state choir based on several criteria, including a vocal solo, tonal memories, and performance in a quartet.

Sopranos chosen were Amber Campbell from Sarcoxie, Valerie Couch from Joplin High School, Sarah Litton from Nevada, and

Rebecca Wentworth from Neosho. Monica Brown from Neosho was chosen as the soprano alternate.

Chosen as altos were Molly Canfield from Joplin High School, Kathy Celaya from Nevada, Tracy Crnic from Monett, and Jessica Lanning from Monett, with Tracy Godfrey from Carl Junction as an alternate.

Tenors chosen were Jay Apostol from Monett, Chris Bonton from Nevada, Jason Purcell from Webb City, and Aaron Tunnell from Joplin High School. Andy Dykens from Carl Junction is the tenor alternate.

Chris Dolane from Joplin High School, Rick Field and Matt Gandy from Carl Junction, and Dan Senecker from Mount Vernon were chosen from the basses. Wade Langer, also from Mount Vernon, is the bass alternate.

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## 7,000 students to attend play

Children's musical to open Nov. 27

BY DYANA PERKINS  
STAFF WRITER

A musical for children, *The Blue Kangaroo*, presented by Southern's Show-Me-Celebration Co., will run Nov. 27-30 for more than 7,000 elementary students.

Director Jay Fields said 26 school districts have confirmed reservations for the show and will bus their students in for one of the four shows.

Fields said when he came to the College in 1987 school principals were concerned that the children would miss their lunch time if they attended the children's theatre productions at Southern.

"I told them to just bring their lunches and eat here," said Fields. "Probably a fourth of the students who will come to the show will eat their lunch either in Billingsly or in the balcony lounge."

"It's quite a sight to see 500 kids in the lounge eating. That's a lot of balloonies."

*The Blue Kangaroo* also will play at 2:30 p.m. Dec. 1-2 for general audiences. Fields said approximately 400 to 600 seats will be sold for the weekend performances. The show is geared for children but is intended that adults will enjoy the play as well.

The musical, written by Michael Snider, tells the story of a stuffed kangaroo, played by junior Georgina Small, who feels he is not as good as the rest of the toys. Through an act that saves the toy shop, he learns that he really is important.

Supporting roles are Toyemaker, played by Charles "Bud" Clark, director of choral activities; Policeman, played by sophomore William

Watts; Robber 1, played by junior Lawrence Alford; Robber 2, played by sophomore Diana Gaines; Sarah, played by junior Heather Harr; and Jack-in-the-box, played by senior Todd Webber.

Other roles include Soldiers 1 and 2, played by juniors Susan O'Brien and Eric Nuzum, respectively. Dolly and the Ballerina Dolls are played by local middle and junior high school students Rhea Brown, Gillian Johnston, and Angela Mason.

Fields said *The Blue Kangaroo* is special to him for many reasons.

"First of all, it's a musical. Our children's shows aren't ordinarily musicals but this one is different," he said. "It's also a children's show. I haven't directed a children's theatre production in 12 years."

The last time Fields was involved with children's theatre was during his doctoral studies at Kent State. The story of *The Blue Kangaroo* has a personal interest for him.

"I came across the story through a friend of mine, Judi Snider," he said. "Her husband, Michael, had written it and, as of yet, it hasn't been seen in this part of the country."

Since the play is a musical, Fields also is getting the chance to work with Clark, who also serves as music director, and Gerrie-Ellen Johnston, choreographer.

"By working with Bud now," said Fields, "we can see how well we'll be able to work together on *Fiddler On The Roof* in the spring. I've also gotten to know Gerrie-Ellen through this program. Both of them are a delight to work with."

The set for *Blue Kangaroo* is designed by Sam Clausen. Costume design is by Anne Jaros.

## 'Breathless' to show

The original film version of *Breathless* will be shown at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 27, in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

This represents the fifth program in the 29th annual International Film Festival presented by the Missouri Southern Film Society.

*Breathless* is a French film dedicated to the Monogram gangster flicks of the 1930s and 1940s. A

young American girl, played by Jean Seberg, who hawks *Herald-Tribunes* on the streets of Paris, and a Humphrey Bogart parody played by Jean-Paul Belmondo, who steals a car, borrows money he will never return, and accidentally kills a policeman, team up to go nowhere.

Bosley Crowther of the *New York Times* said: "These characters are undeniable. It is powerful, shocking, and realistic."

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## Reagan's memoirs interesting, but far from probing or revelatory

### 'An American Life' sheds no light on Iran-Contra scandal

BY T.R. HANRAHAN  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

*An American Life*, by Ronald Reagan (748 pages; Simon and Schuster, \$24.95)

The autobiography of former President Ronald Reagan, *An American Life*, has been perhaps the most awaited presidential memoir ever.

Many Americans consider the 1980s the Reagan era and consequently look to him for a heretofore absent definition of those eventful, if tumultuous, years.

Reagan's recollections of events such as the Iran-Contra imbroglio, the loss of U.S. Marines in Lebanon, and the attempt on his life, would have been both fascinating and relevant to a nation searching for vision and direction in the new decade.

The Gipper, however, drops the ball.

*An American Life* presents nothing revelatory about Reagan the man or the years in which he served.

Events such as Iran-Contra are handled in much the same way the press conferences of the time were

administered.

No question is answered completely and specifically. Reagan ends chapter 63 with this oft-repeated explanation: "Unfortunately, there will occasionally be transgressions; but had I attempted to involve myself in the details of the activities of the NSC [National Security Council] staff, I would have been unable to attend to the other wide-ranging issues before me at the time."

Reagan's recollections of the car-bombing that took the lives of 241 Marines in Lebanon also fall short

of answering questions about how the crisis was managed in the hours immediately following the attack.

The description of events is limited to explaining that meetings were held in the White House Situation Room throughout the night.

The assassination attempt narrative is simply a rehash of information and anecdotes with which the American public is already familiar.

Reagan repeats again the courageous quips he makes while being treated in the emergency room.

Perhaps the closest glimpse we have at the personal side of Reagan is the description of daughter Patti Davis' drift away from himself and

wife Nancy.

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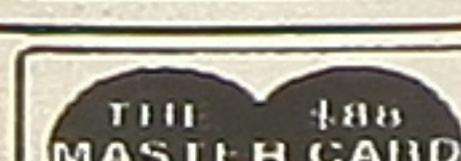
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**Robert Plant:** With Faith No More; 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday; Joplin Memorial Hall; Tickets: \$18; Ext. 366

**"Breathless":** Presented by the Missouri Southern Film Society; 7:30 p.m.; Nov. 27; Connor Ballroom; BSC

**Country Music Concerts:** Holly Dunn; T. Graham Brown; Dan Seals; Travis Tritt; 5 and 9 p.m.; Dec. 1; Joplin Memorial Hall; 62

# Youths march in USSR

BY KALEA HUTSON  
STAFF WRITER

Promoting nuclear disarmament and peace was the main focus of a walk taken through a part of the Soviet Union by two Joplin High School seniors.

The walk, sponsored by the California-based International Peace Walk, took place Sept. 1-22 in the small Soviet republic of Kazakhstan.

"Kazakhstan was a major testing site for nuclear weapons in the Soviet Union," said Jennifer Kindred. "The main focus of the walk was to promote nuclear disarmament in Kazakhstan."

According to Kindred, IPW is a small grassroots organization.

"There were only about two or three people with IPW," said Maggie Carfield. "We got to know them really well during the trip."

This was the last of six peace walks held in the USSR sponsored by IPW. Both Carfield and Kindred attended by raising money in a variety of ways. They held several dinners, a car wash, and also wrote fund-raising letters to doctors and lawyers in the community. In addition, both received scholarships from IPW to help pay some of their expenses.

"Of the three weeks," Carfield said, "we spent 19 days in Kazakhstan and the other two in Moscow."

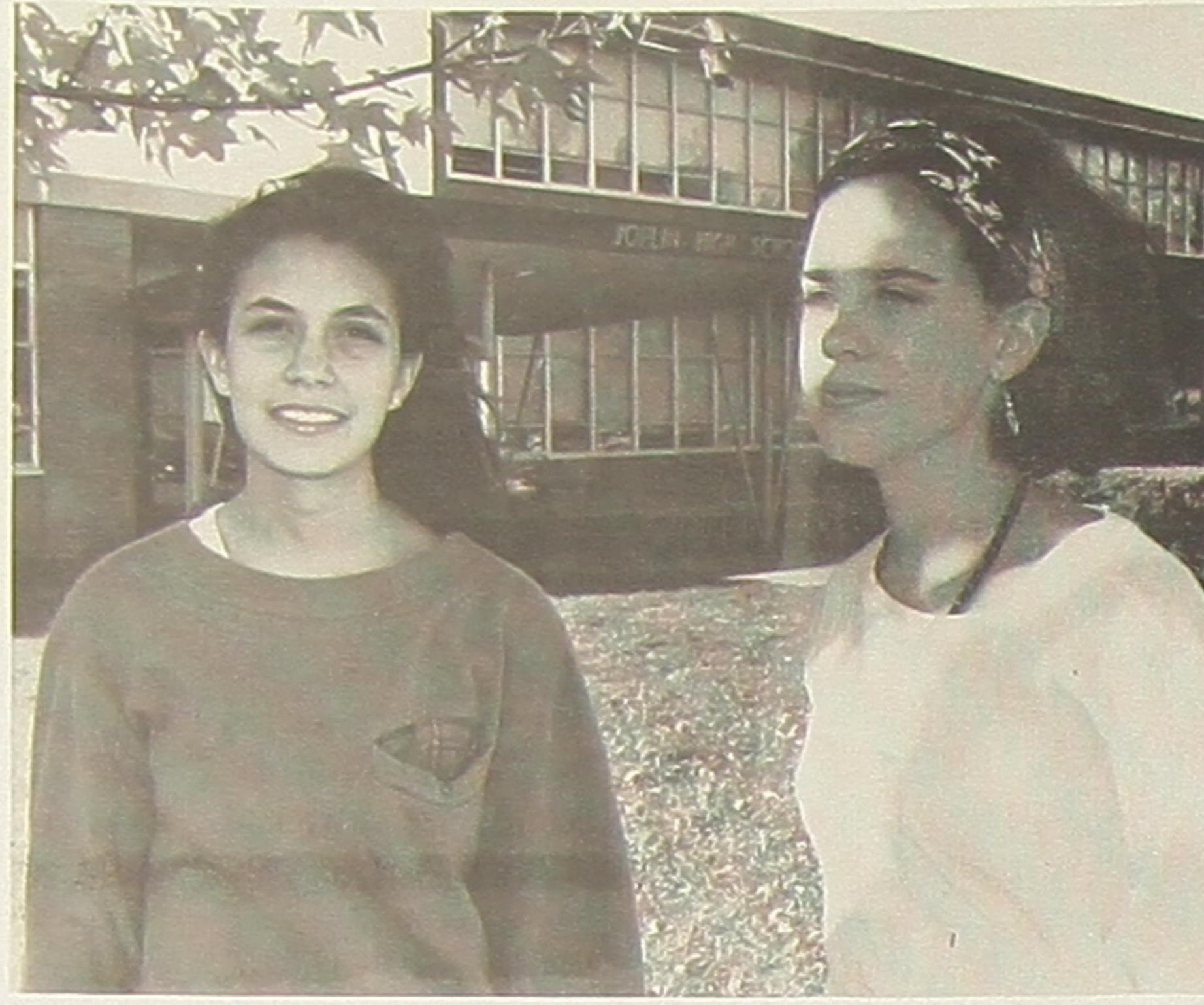
During the day, they would walk up to eight kilometers, Kindred said, depending on the day and the area they were in.

Because the area was very dry and sparsely populated, the walkers were bused the distance between the cities.

"We would usually start about two or three kilometers outside of the city," Carfield said, "then the children and some of the people would usually meet us outside of the city and we would walk in. That was some of the best times—holding hands, just smiling at one another.

"If we were lucky we would have

## STRIVING FOR CHANGE



Joplin High School seniors, Maggie Carfield and Jennifer Kindred, traveled to the Soviet republic of Kazakhstan recently to promote peace as a part of a campaign organized by International Peace Walk.

STAFF PHOTO BY KALEA HUTSON

a translator, and then we would exchange gifts."

Carfield and Kindred took along several different items to give to the Kazakhstan people. The gifts included bubble gum, scarves, friendship bracelets, Joplin pins, U.S. flag pins, make-up, and perfume.

"Mostly, it was kind of hard, [to give out the presents] because unless you were giving it to an adult, the children would mob you," Kindred said.

"They would talk about peace and friendship."

"What had the most impact on me," Carfield said, "was just seeing how sad and inefficient their society was due to their spending on their military and also their nuclear testing."

"Going from seeing children who were sick and unhealthy, to seeing acres and acres of old military tanks that were worth millions and millions of dollars, it was just really depressing," she said.

"I found the same thing," Kindred said. "I realized how you can think, believe, and be intelligent and un-

prejudiced about as many things as you want to, but until you are actually able to be in that situation and meet the people, you never realize how many lies or how much propaganda our governments have given us."

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## Main Street Joplin seeks PR manager

BY KELLY WELLS  
STAFF WRITER

Revitalizing downtown Joplin and historically preserving buildings in that area will soon be a top priority for one person.

The Main Street Joplin Program, spearheaded by a 13-member board, is looking for a project manager and has advertised the position.

According to Bob Horton, manager of Pro-Am Athletics and a member of the project's board, the program was officially organized a year ago. The board consists of downtown merchants and other community leaders.

Since most of the members are involved in the operations of their own businesses, they decided to create a position so one individual could concentrate on the goals of the Main Street Program.

The manager will work with the board, and tentative plans are for his or her office to be located in the First National Mercantile building.

A search committee, consisting of five of the board members, is currently reviewing about 30 applications. Requirements for the position include education and/or professional experience in historic preservation, planning, design, public relations, and economic development.

"We are looking for someone with excellent communication skills," Horton said, "because basically the position is going to be a PR position."

"He or she must have a feel for historic preservation and will need to gain the community's support for this project."

Horton said Joplin residents will benefit from growth of the downtown area.

"Programs similar to this nationwide have been very successful," Horton said. He cited Carthage as an example.

To obtain funding for Main Street Joplin, the City Council leased the downtown parking lots to the board. All revenues from meters on the lots and a percentage of the money col-

lected from street meters is toward the program.

"Our proposed budget figures for the year are around \$100,000 and revenues are expected around \$70,000," Horton said. "A new manager will also be needed to look for ways to increase revenue."

Horton said a misconception the general public has is that meter revenue is used for downtown businesses.

"The Downtown Joplin Association is responsible for promoting advertising the downtown as a whole," Horton said, "but downtown businesses who are not paying dues. Those dues pay advertising."

Horton said the downtown currently has a 16 percent rate, which he said is low for many cities.

"Advantages to being downtown include rent is cheaper and the more established businesses are downtown," said

Right now the Main Street board is taking bids for "street proposals, which are concept reports."

"A 'street scape' proposal like a guideline for renovation restoration in the downtown," Horton said. "It will consider suggestions and ways to achieve the attractiveness of historically preserved buildings and revitalizing downtown areas are looking for, and that is the point where this new manager starts from."

Horton said the manager to convince the public of the project's worthiness and also to encourage downtown businesses to renovate.

The manager will have the advantages to renovate the downtown and emphasize the "historically important way to go about things."

"Business owners will have the advantages and need for business among themselves in the project to be a success," Horton said.

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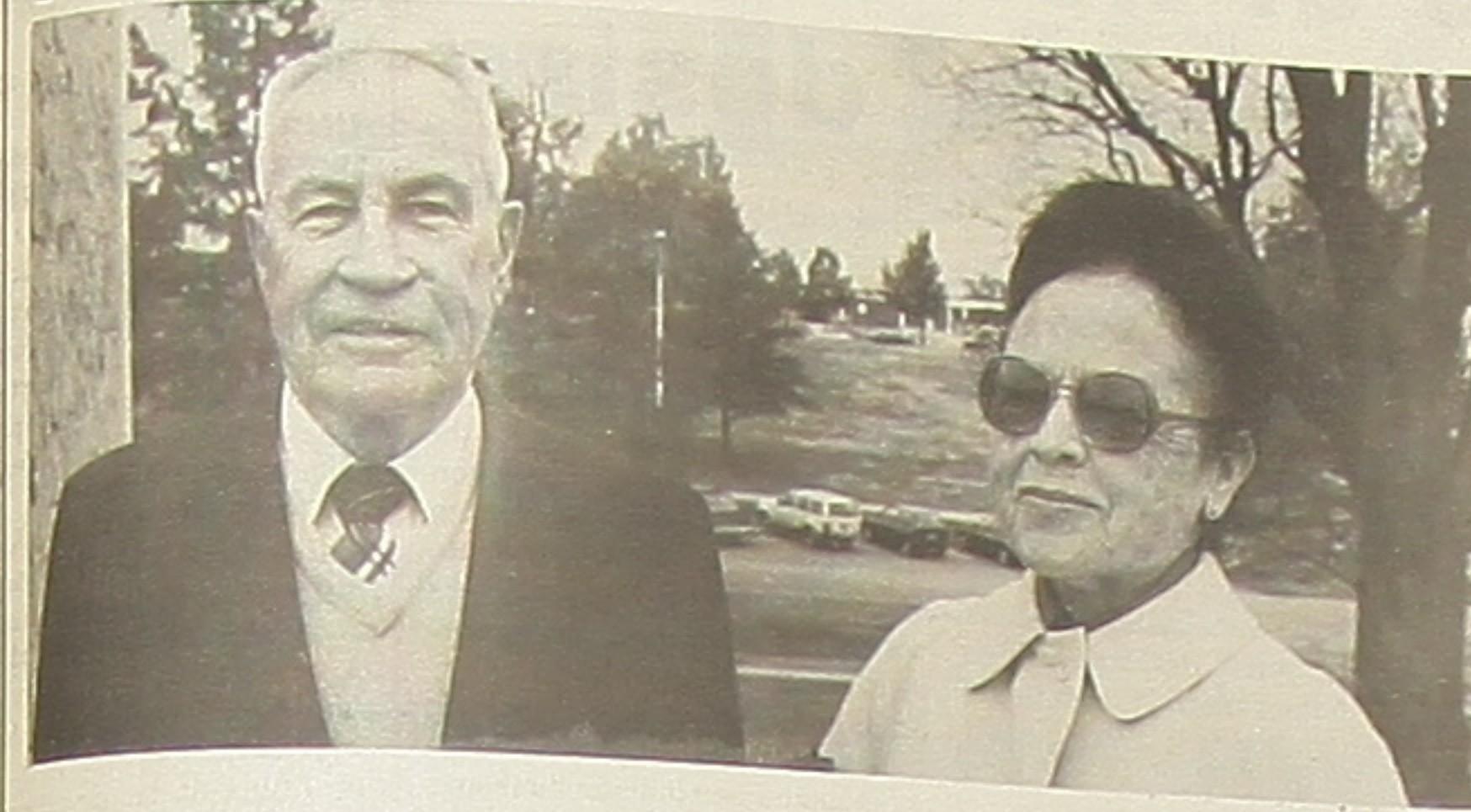
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## You're never too old

SERIOUS STUDENTS



Mary and Henry "H.H." Dunham have been students at Missouri Southern since 1981. Both are 78.

## Languages occupy couple's time

BY SHARON WEBER  
CHART REPORTER

It is not unusual for a married couple to be enrolled at Missouri Southern. However, it is unusual if they are both 78 years old.

Henry "H.H." and Mary Dunham, of rural Racine, are the unusual. They have been taking classes at Southern since the fall of 1981.

"I like a challenge and being around young people," H.H. said. His wife added, "We're not interested in senior citizen meetings and bingo."

They began by taking a Spanish class at Crowder College. However, it disappointed them and they have been coming to Southern ever since. This semester, they are taking German Literature from Dr. Hal Bodon, professor of French and German.

"My husband is fluent in German, and I'm not. I asked Dr. Bodon not to call me," Mary said.

"He (Bodon) can't get anything off her," added H.H. "But he can't keep me quiet."

The couple also has taken French and Spanish at the College. Usually they audit classes. But for Spanish class, they had to enroll in the class for credit.

Mary explained, "When we first got in the instructor's class, he wouldn't let us audit."

"He wanted to make sure that we meant business. So, we took Spanish for credit. That's the only one we took for credit. After that, I think he found out we were serious."

The Dunhams, having already received degrees, have no need for credits and enjoy auditing.

H.H. is a retired physician with a D.A.M. from Brown University and medical credentials from the University of Kansas. He has done research in genetics, reproductive physiology, and genetics of Cladocerans.

Mary graduated from Evansville University with a degree in speech and history. She has taught school,

worked for the IRS, the National Weather Service, and *The Chicago Tribune* just to mention a few.

"We just like to learn more," he said. "We're not dedicated to television. At our age, you don't have time to waste."

They don't always take classes together. One semester, Mary audited an English Literature class while H.H. studied mathematics.

"I'm not very good in math, and he's very good at it. I think that I am afraid of it," she said.

When asked about their future class plans, H.H. mentioned an interest in the upcoming Arabic course.

"With Arabic, you have to learn a completely new alphabet," he said. "It's more difficult."

Mary explained her husband's interest in the subject.

"When we lived in Indiana, we had an Arab foreign exchange student live with us," she said. "My husband thought then it might be interesting to learn," she said.

Their interest did not lie only in their classes. They live on an 800-acre ranch near Racine, and have no children. But the couple has quite a collection of cats and dogs.

"We care for stray dogs and cats that people have dumped," Mary said. "Dumping animals is such a cruel thing to do."

They also have traveled to Europe twice. Since they don't like to fly, they went on ocean liners for their travels abroad.

On one occasion, they were forced to fly home.

"In France, the waiters [on the ships] went on strike, and we had to fly home," she said. "We were two hours from Paris and ready to board when we had to turn around, go back to Paris, and catch a flight back to the States."

"We're tired of traveling now. We just stay at home these days," he said.

At 78, the couple has seen many changes during their lives.

"The fall of the Berlin Wall was a tremendous historical event," Mary said. "We didn't think we would live to see it."

"Our new German Literature book is already out of date," H.H. said.

The couple grew up in the Depression when times were hard.

"H.H. was a poor Kansas farm boy who worked his way through an Ivy League school," she said proudly.

H.H. served as a graduate assistant at Brown, which paid for his tuition. But medical school was different.

"The last two years of internship, I was put into uniform for World War II," he said. "After that I continued my internship for room, board, and laundry. I sold a pint or two of blood here and there. It was hard work."

Mary graduated from high school at 16. She held many different jobs before continuing her education in 1945.

"There weren't too many 'old' people on campus in those days," Mary said. "They wanted me to take physical education. But being over 40, I talked them out of that."

The Dunhams have been married for more than 40 years. "It seems forever," Mary said.

"A long time," he added. "Long enough to know better."

H.H. and Mary have watched several generations grow up.

"Being around young people changes your perspective," said Mary. "With young people today, there's a different trend. Families subsidize their children more these days."

"They are prolonging their adolescence more."

Their family has not had a lot to say about their continuing education.

"No one else in the family goes to school like we do," she said.

## Spicers keep busy at College

BY SHARON WEBER  
CHART REPORTER

Two Missouri Southern students have known each other more than 63 years. In fact, they have been married for 53 years.

"I've been married all my life," said John Spicer, 76, of Webb City.

"Before that, we have known each other since we were 12 years old," added Josephine "Jobi" Spicer, 75.

Since 1979, the Spicers have regularly been enrolled in classes here.

"Mainly, we like to go to school with the kids," he said. "When we retired, we went to the senior citizens' centers and it wasn't active enough for us."

"They just sat around. We could sit around home and grow old, if we wanted to," his wife added. "But it's much more fun with the kids at Southern."

John and Jobi have taken ceramic courses together at the College.

"Ceramics is something we enjoy doing," said Jobi. "We both seem to like it, so we stay with it."

They both give Jon Fowler, associate professor of art, high marks as an instructor. "Jon Fowler is very dear to us," John said.

Jobi has taken French, speech, and sculpture classes to mention a few. She said she has had a lot of fun with her French classes.

"I took four semesters of French and I still can't speak French," she said. "If I do any more foreign language classes, I'll go back to French."

Prior to taking French at Southern, her previous education in French was in 1932. Jobi mentioned that was "even before her instructor was

born."

"My main trouble with remembering French was not having someone to talk with outside of class," she said. "Conversing is so important."

John's classes have ranged from aerobics to ceramics. He regularly enrolled in physical education classes until three years ago.

In his golf class, he appeared to be more knowledgeable than the instructor, so she "virtually turned the class over" to him.

The highlight of John's physical education studies came in his racquetball class.

During the last class, John and his instructor, who happened to be a woman, teamed up against two young men in the class for a friendly match. The young men lost.

"They just couldn't understand how an old man and a woman could have beat them," he said. "They may have been overconfident the first game, but not during the second."

Not all their classes have been successful. There was one class they didn't even get to finish.

"We started a computer class with Jo's two sisters," John said. "We got enrolled, were there for two days, and got kicked out."

"There wasn't enough room in the class," Jobi said. "They just had more students than they could handle."

John recalled a time when he and Jobi's family showed up en masse to take other classes.

"There was one time we really invaded the place (Southern)," he said.

"There was Jo and I, her two sisters, her brother, her brother-in-law, and her sister-in-law. We almost took over."

Family is very important to the Spicers. They have two sons, a grandchild, and a great-grandchild.

"Our daughter-in-law, Lynn Spicer, graduated from Southern last year," Jobi said. "So, our kids have accepted our taking classes."

When they are not busy taking classes, the Spicers keep busy at their home, Wild Meadows, located on 40 acres just north of Webb City.

"We just finished planting over 380 bulbs for spring flowers," she said. "I didn't think we would ever get through."

They regularly take walks over their land and drive around in their electric golf cart aptly named "Jobi's Pony."

They say their home is always filled with people and laughter. During this past summer, the Spicers hosted a picnic for those Southern students who had returned from a three-week session at Oxford University.

"They had a great time," John said. "We had a big picnic and they sat around in a big circle, comparing pictures and giggling."

Their experiences at Southern have been fulfilling, and they plan to continue as long as they physically can.

"However, all of our friends and relatives are tired of ceramic pots," Jobi quipped.

They have sold some of their pots at the College sale. "We give the proceeds to the art department," she said. "It's worth it to us."

"We've had a lot of fun at the college," John concluded. "We've met a lot of nice people."

## LESS THAN TYPICAL



John and "Jobi" Spicer have taken a variety of classes at Missouri Southern, including French and golf.

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## Runner travels to nationals

Transfer makes second showing

BY NICK COBLE  
STAFF WRITER

**A**s a freshman at Carl Junction High School, a reluctant Jason Riddle went out for the track team on a quest for a letterman's jacket. Five years later he's found much more, as he travels to a national competition Saturday.

Riddle will compete at the NCAA Division II Championships in Arcata, Calif. A sophomore transfer from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M, he made his first trip to nationals last year while running for NEO. He finished 49th in the junior college meet with an 8K time of 26:30.

"I know what to expect this year," said Riddle. "Last year, my first year at nationals, I was really nervous. My stomach was tight during the whole race."

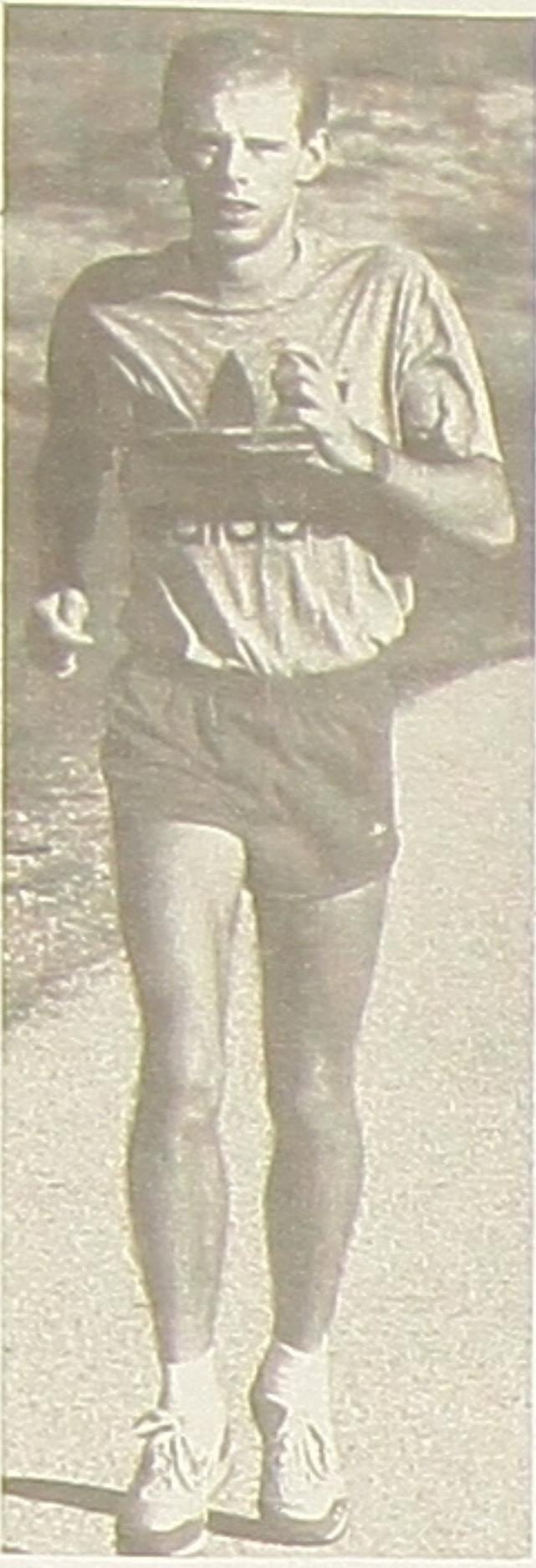
With the sole purpose of earning a letterman's jacket, Riddle's running career in high school began as a sprinter.

"One day the coach asked me if I wanted to run on the two-mile relay team because one of the runners had gotten sick," he said. "I said OK, but I won't do very well."

The relay team took second place that day, with Riddle running a 2:18 half. More importantly, he received his first taste of distance running.

"The coach told me that I could be a good runner if I want to be, but it would take a lot of training and discipline."

Having achieved all of his goals thus far this season, Riddle now eyes a top 25 finish Saturday, which



would gain him All-American status.

Riddle believes his times are competitive with the top Division II runners with whom he will compete Saturday.

"It's hard to estimate a goal for time in cross country because all of the courses are different," he said.

Personal bests, competitions, and awards aside, Riddle says the bottom line is a love for running.

"Just being out on the road running puts you in a different state of consciousness and helps you think a lot better," he said.

"It feels good to get out and set after a goal and accomplish it."

## Lady Lions drop after first match in playoffs

BY JAN GARDNER  
STAFF WRITER

**D**espite an optimistic outlook for last weekend's MIAA volleyball championships, Coach Debbie Traywick and her players still found themselves on the road home after only one match.

The University of Missouri-St. Louis handed the Lady Lions a loss in three straight games: 15-0, 15-1, and 15-10. Traywick said the team's main problem was not being able to score any points.

"Part of the problem was UMSL's power," she said. "It was a frustrating game for the players. The first game lasted 30 minutes, but they showed a lot to me by not giving up."

UMSL went on to upset Southeast Missouri State University and finish

second in the tournament behind Central Missouri State University.

Southern ended the season 14-19 overall.

According to Traywick, the team's reaction to the season's end was one full of emotion.

"They cried," she said. "I really think that the overall consensus was that they didn't want it to be over. Some of them are already bored and are asking when off-season starts."

The next step in preparation for the 1991 season begins in January when the team begins weight conditioning and strength building. Recruiting will be Traywick's focus.

"I've been recruiting since August," she said. "There are some recruits out there that I'm looking at, but I don't have any money available."

## Men's Basketball Preview

# Success of new talent hinges on Lions' desire

BY ROD SHETLER  
STAFF WRITER

**T**he 1990-91 men's basketball team will look anything but familiar as it begins its season at 7:30 p.m. Saturday against Bartlesville Wesleyan in Young Gymnasium.

This year's team features 11 new players, including five freshmen.

"Spencer Williams (5-foot-11 junior guard) definitely give us some quickness out front," said Robert Corn, head coach. "Kenny Simpson (6-5 junior forward) and Joe Hill (6-6 junior forward) are both good inside players."

Freshmen Chris Tucker (6-8 center), Neal Smith (6-4 guard-forward), and Tim Burrell (6-4 guard-forward) are all coming on and playing very well. Mitchell Saulsberry (6-5 freshman forward) hasn't been able to practice yet because of his leg, but he will be a fine college player.

"Wayne Bushnell (6-1 freshman guard) is doing a good job for us, and Shay Hagel (6-2 junior guard) will give us some maturity since he has already played two years of college basketball."

Corn believes the new players will improve the Lions' fifth-place MIAA finish last season. Southern was 12-15 overall.

"I think we have improved ourselves," he said. "We are a better basketball team as far as better athletes and

letes and better quickness. If this team has the same type of cohesion and desire as last year's team, we could have a good year."

Corn said some of the freshmen could make an immediate impact this season.

"Two or three of our freshmen should be seeing a lot of quality time," he said. "Anytime you go from high school to the college level it's like going from a freshman in high school to the varsity. It takes time."

The freshmen have been impressed with the style of Corn's coaching and the entire Southern atmosphere.

"Everybody is really pulling together right now," said Tucker, who had 11 offensive rebounds in the Lions' intrasquad game Saturday. "From what everybody has been telling me, we have a lot better bench this season. We are also going to be a lot more up-tempo this season."

Tucker, Williams, Saulsberry, and Burrell will comprise the Memphis connection for the Lions as all four are from that hot-bed of basketball talent.

Simpson, a transfer from Moberly Junior College, is pleased with the different attitude on the court.

"So far it has been a lot different from Moberly," said Simpson, who had a team-high 28 points in the intrasquad game. "There are a lot more players here to work with. At Moberly I was playing with a team

where everybody was an individual. Here, that's all different."

Even though the Lions have yet to meet their first opponent, the injury bug already has bitten three players.

David Lurvey, 6-5 senior forward, has had his left arm in a cast for the last week after an injury in practice.

"I'll find out Friday what's going on," said the three-year letterman. "I'm going to get it X-rayed. If it's not broken I could be ready to play by the East Texas State game (Dec. 8). If it is broken, I might have to be in a cast for six or eight weeks."

Saulsberry also has been bothered by a long-term leg injury.

"I go to the doctor on Monday to see how it's doing," he said. "I broke it at the beginning of the second half of my senior year in high school. It's just a matter of time right now. I haven't played for about 10 months."

Mike Grove, 6-3 senior guard and a transfer from Grand View College, suffered a leg injury in practice which kept him out of the intrasquad game.

While it is obvious that the emphasis is on youth this season, Corn realizes that leadership from the veterans will be necessary for success.

"David Lurvey, Ronnie Ressel, Keith Allen, and Mike Doman have all played under me for a year," he said. "They have a feel about the way we do things. They will give us some good leadership."



**CHRISTOPHER CLARK**  
NFL gives need for King day

**T**he National Football League is positively positioned. When it (the NFL) Paul Tagliabue's agenda (your pick) decided to pull the 1993 Super Bowl from Phoenix, the wheels of hypocrisy were in motion. Tagliabue deserves that since Arizonians were prepared to legally honor Martin Luther King holiday. The league could starve itself by holding the sport's most important game there.

Many NFL players are in cities. And with the league's emphasis on hiring minorities, the decision is appropriate if a little late.

The argument that the NFL is latching on to a contagious fever is convincing. In the 1960s, when equality for masses became important, much as a peep could be seen from the NFL, or the Professional Golfers Association for that matter. We rarely heard of big or official denunciations. Games were played and more was said.

Many people remember. Over the weekend, two local radio stations were flooded with calls during their sports talk shows. Listeners incensed that the league was now beginning to realize a cord of ignorance.

The move looks good face, and perhaps that is as the issue goes with Tagliabue. In any case, the move should send a message to the citizens of Arizona that their choice, whether intentional or not, represents a flagrant broadcast of racism. Millions of dollars in revenue addition to the publicity during Super Bowl games will be lost.

The same issue has crept into the college ranks, with the University of Virginia deciding to pull out of the Sunbelt Bowl, held in Tempe, Arizona.

In this crossing-of-the-lines between sports and politics must always win. Because of that, we must see the larger picture of why organizations, or institutions, refuse to recognize King's birthday. Missouri Southern does recognize the holiday, so I think it's time we should.

Common among arguments against celebrating the holiday is that we don't celebrate George Washington's or Abraham Lincoln's birthday, so why should King?

It's a lengthy limb, but I'd like King to be the most important person in America's modern history. More than Gandhi or Nelson Mandela, King was a symbol of the world's most critical moment. It seems a total travesty that the College has missed the mark on this one.

It's been said before, but it seems that colleges and universities should be the leaders in moving King's celebration to the forefront (dismissing classes, staging rallies and candlelight vigils). Yet this institution sits idle by favoring a longer academic year over making a statement to the community that King's memory isn't lost on life students.

For those who were lost in predictions on the upcoming basketball season, or new into why the Chiefs blew it this day, I'm sorry if you found out about these. But you can blame NFL for that; the line between sports and politics is one that easily erases. Those who think that fact are naive.

While some may have a hard time believing in an NFL-Southern connection on the issue of Martin Luther King, it must be realized that the situation has been woken up, or by the NFL. Sweeping King under the rug is not acceptable. Southern should move quickly to make King's holiday recognition here.

## Women's Basketball Preview

# Controlled fast-break pivotal for team's offensive attack

BY CHRISTOPHER CLARK  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

**U**p-tempo, but under control. That's the style of play Scott Ballard perfected at Marshfield High School, where his team won an unprecedented 96 consecutive games and three state championships. He says he'll work the Lady Lions that way, and tomorrow night's game against Oklahoma Christian University will put that style of play to a collegiate test at the Cameron Invitational Tournament in Lawton, Okla.

"They're (Oklahoma Christian) faster than we are," Ballard said. "They spread it out. But they're not really that fundamental on defense. They can shoot the ball."

The Lady Lions will play a faster game than in the past. Pushing the ball up the floor and getting a good shot is the key, according to Ballard.

"It's a controlled fast-break," he said. "The players are running to

their spots and filling the lanes. If we don't have anything for sure off the break, then we're going to kick it out and make the defense work for 20 seconds."

"At Marshfield, we were not that tall, but we were quicker than most of our opponents, so that made up for the size difference," he said. "Here, we're not that tall and we're not that quick. We'll have to be a very fundamentally sound team. We're going to have to try and play real hard."

On defense, the Lady Lions are expected to play man-to-man and apply a half-court press. Ballard said the team occasionally would employ a full-court press as a "surprise element."

Ballard hopes the team's half-court defense will make opponents panic themselves into poor shots.

"If we can make them spend 10 or 12 seconds in the back court," he said, "then they have only two or three passes before they have to put

the ball up."

The Lady Lions face Cameron University at 8:45 p.m. Saturday.

Ballard will start three seniors: Caryn Schumaker at center, Sandy Soeken at forward, and Terri Haynes at forward; Juniors Dianne Hoch and Jamie Dunn will start at the guards. Ballard said the Lady Lions will bring a balanced scoring attack into the first game, as three intrasquad scrimmages have produced several players in double figures.

"We're not going to depend on one, two, or three players to be in the 20s every night," Ballard said. "We want to make our opponents play honest."

The Lady Lions are relatively injury-free going into tomorrow night. The only question mark is Renee Weihs, who injured her ankle. She's healing fast, and Ballard may look to her for playing time in the team's first game.

"Renee's a good ball player," he said. "She shoots the '3's' real well."

## Football team falls to undefeated PSU

BY ROD SHETLER  
STAFF WRITER

**W**hen a football team goes up against the third-ranked team in the nation and one with a 54-game winning streak, even the most optimistic player has to be somewhat intimidated.

"I thought the intimidation factor was pretty high," said Jon Lantz, Missouri Southern head coach. "I think probably half of our guys were pretty intimidated. I was really disappointed with that; I didn't expect it. There's no good way to cover that over. It really surprised me."

The Lions, 4-5, ended their season with the 49-21 Miner's Bowl setback in Hughes Stadium. Pittsburgh State, 10-0, advances to the first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs.

Junior running back Cleon Burrell scored Southern's first touchdown against the Gorillas since 1986 in the second quarter. The visitors led 28-7 at halftime, however.

"The biggest difference in the game, probably the biggest difference in most of our losses this year, was in the line," said Lantz. "Their offensive line really dominated our defensive line. Their defensive line by and large, dominated our offensive line."

"You look back at SEMO (Southwest Missouri State), Northeast Missouri, and SBU (Southwest Baptist University) and that was true, too. The only loss we had where that

wasn't true was Central Missouri."

Lantz thought the 20-19 loss to CMSU on Oct. 20 probably was the Lions' best showing of the season.

"It's kind of ironic when the highlight of the year was in a loss, but I very definitely feel our highlight of the season was the game against CMSU," said Lantz. "Just from the standpoint of the way we played. That was the way I wanted us to play all year."

The coaching staff now is beginning the process of recruiting players for 1991.

"Our No. 1 priority is trying to find a real difference maker at tailback," he said. "It seems like everybody in the league has one but us."

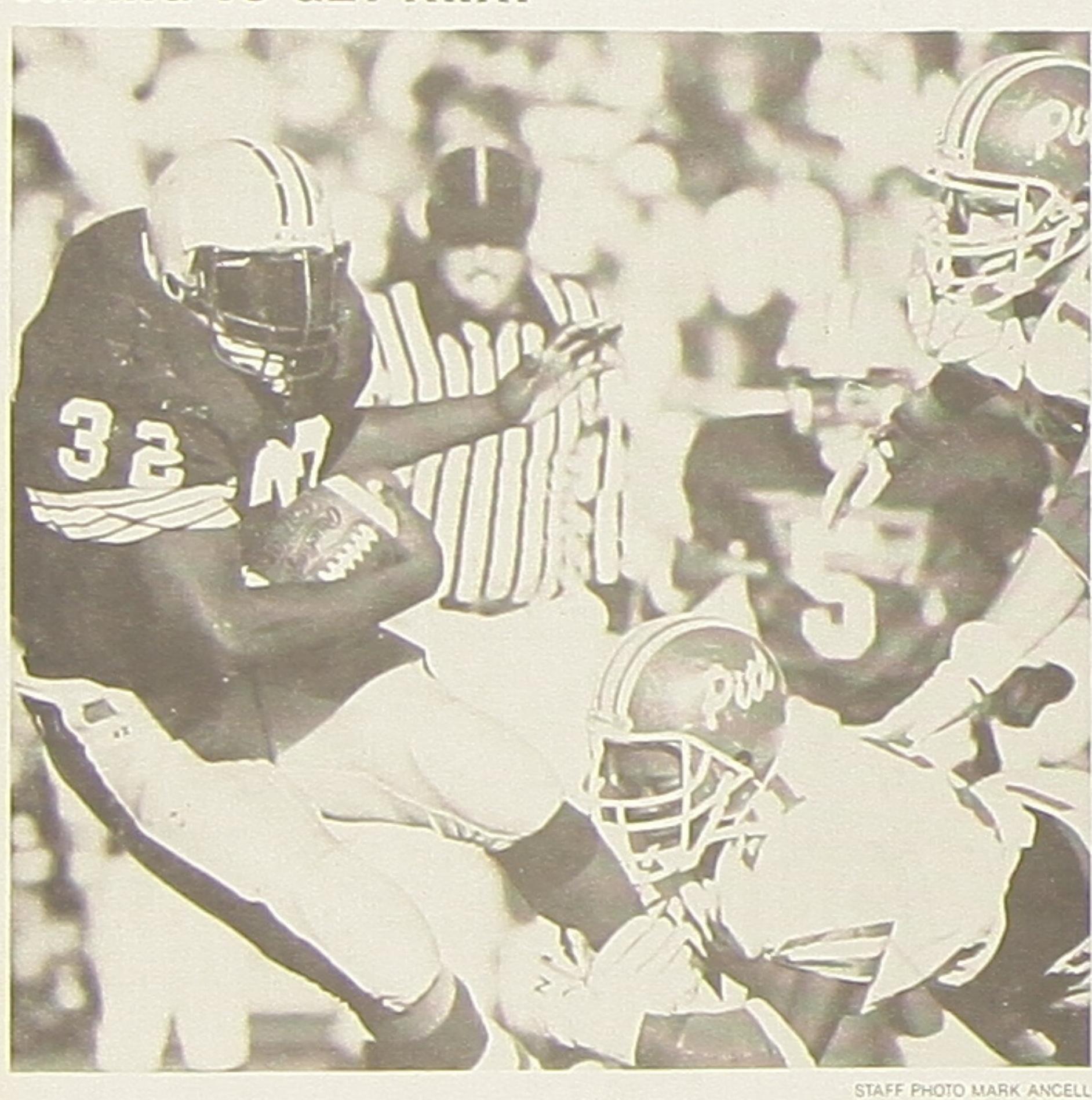
"We also need a great player at any position. I'm talking about a Rod Smith-type player who can actually make the others around him play better. We could get by with what we have everywhere if we just get that tailback. It's the big priority."

If a tailback is not found, a different style of Southern football may be played next season.

"We will be throwing the football more," said Lantz. "In the last half against Pitt you saw us with four wades, and you saw a lot of passes. For us to do that I have to give something up as a coach."

"I'm not saying I'm Vince Lombardi or Woody Hayes, but I don't like the idea of throwing the ball 40 times a game."

## TRYING TO GET AWAY



STAFF PHOTO MARK ANCILL

Lions running back Cleon Burrell tries to evade the grasp of a Pittsburgh State defensive back during Saturday's 49-21 loss to PSU at Fred Hughes Stadium. The Lions finished the season with a 4-5 record.